

March 8, 1988

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Rubber Stamp Exhibits

Re: RUBBER STAMP AND PRINTING REFERENCE FILE
SEMI-ANNUAL REPORT

DESCRIPTION: The Rubber Stamp and Printing Standards Reference File is located in Room 3161.

This reference file contains approximately 100 type style catalogs for rubber stamp production and mechanical printing use. This reference collection also contains the Printing Process Identification Micrograph Reference Collection, which contains 20 sets of printed samples that are representative of the four primary printing processes (letterpress, offset and intaglio).

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February 23, 1942

Mr. Robert A. Pannier
Treasurer
Pannier Brothers Stamp Company,
Incorporated
207-209 Sandusky Street, N. S.
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

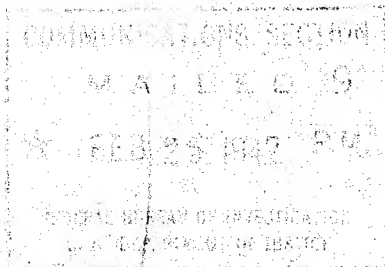
Dear Mr. Pannier:

Reference is made to your letter
of February 2, 1942 with which you enclosed
your #64 Catalog on Rubber Stamps and Marking
Devices.

I wish to thank you for this
material and for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely yours,

Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
Mr. Clegg _____
Mr. Glavin _____
Mr. Ladd _____
Mr. Nichols _____
Mr. Tracy _____
Mr. Rosen _____
Mr. Carson _____
Mr. Coffey _____
Mr. Hendon _____
Mr. Holloman _____
Mr. Quinn Tamm _____
Mr. Nease _____
Miss Gandy _____



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O. F. PANNIER, PRESIDENT.
G. O. PANNIER, ASST. PRESIDENT.
G. W. PANNIER, ASST. VICE PRESIDENT.

W. J. PANNIER, JR. VICE PRESIDENT.

R. F. HERSTY, SECY. TREAS.
RALPH A. PANNIER, ASST. SECY.
ROBERT A. PANNIER, ASST. TREAS.

Pannier Bros. Stamp Co.

INCORPORATED
1902.

Manufacturers of Stamps

207-209 SANDUSKY STREET, N.S.

Pittsburgh, Pa.

February 2nd
Our 43rd Year
1942

IN REPLY TO
YOURS OF

FILE NO.

TIME CHECKS,
METAL BADGES,
STENCILS,
RUBBER DIES,
RUBBER STAMPS,
SEALS,
METAL SHIPPING TAGS,
TAG ADDRESSER.

Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Attention: Mr. John Edgar Hoover

Gentlemen:

Thank you for your letter of January 30, 1942 in which you request copies of our latest catalogs on rubber stamps, etc.

We are pleased to enclose our No. 64 Catalog on Rubber Stamps and Marking Devices, which is the most recent of our catalogs.

The bulletins and catalogs which you now have on file are still current.

We are glad to be of service to you at this time and look forward to hearing from you further in the future.

Yours truly,

PANNIER BROS. STAMP CO.

Robert A. Pannier, Treas.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

"A Business of Business Necessities"



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February 23, 1942

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Mr. J. T. Marks
The C. H. Hanson Company
303 West Erie Street
Chicago, Illinois

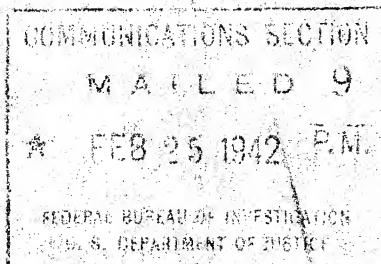
Dear Mr. Marks:

Reference is made to your letter of
February 2, 1942 with which you enclosed your
latest catalog.

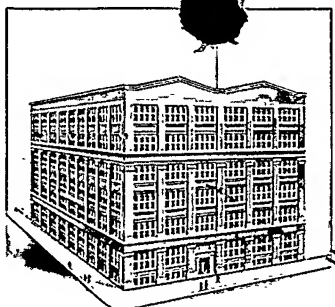
I wish to thank you for this material
and for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely yours,

Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
Mr. Clegg _____
Mr. Glavin _____
Mr. Ladd _____
Mr. Nichols _____
Mr. Tracy _____
Mr. Rosen _____
Mr. Carson _____
Mr. Coffey _____
Mr. Hendon _____
Mr. Holloman _____
Mr. Quinn Tamm _____
Mr. Nease _____
Miss Gandy _____



NAME PLATES
METAL TAGS
METAL TRADE CHECKS
ETCHED METAL SIGNS
MUNICIPAL
LICENSE PLATES
TAGS AND BADGES



Established 1866

THE C. H. HANSON COMPANY

MANUFACTURERS OF MARKING DEVICES

ETCHED NAME PLATES • STEEL MARKING DIES
EMBOSSSED METAL PLATES • BADGES AND STENCILS
REESE ADJUSTABLE STENCILS • THERMO ELECTRIC BRANDS

303 WEST ERIE STREET
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

February 2, 1942.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

Attn: Mr. John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Gentlemen:

Thank you for your letter of January

30.

The catalog No. 90 and other material
you have is out of date and, unfortunately, up
to date copies are not available at this time,
in fact, we will not re-publish at this time
mainly because of our National Emergency and mark-
et conditions, however, we have availed ourselves
of one of our supplier's stock catalogues--a copy
of which is enclosed.

We trust this will serve your purpose.

Yours truly,
THE C. H. HANSON COMPANY

PER

J. T. Marks

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION	
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J. T. Marks*

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O'Brien & Tamm Exhibit

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80-613-118

February 23, 1942

Mr. M. M. Williams
James H. Matthews and Company
3942 Forbes Street
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

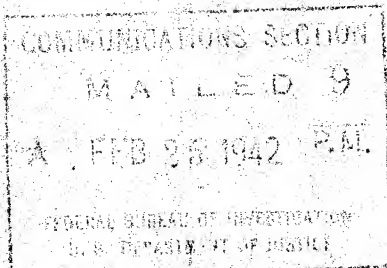
Dear Mr. Williams:

Reference is made to your letter of February 6, 1942 advising that there is in preparation a catalog to supplant your catalog #144, a copy of which I now have.

I wish to thank you for this information and will be pleased to receive a copy of your new catalog when it is ready for distribution.

Sincerely yours,

Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
Mr. Clegg _____
Mr. Glavin _____
Mr. Ladd _____
Mr. Nichols _____
Mr. Tracy _____
Mr. Rosen _____
Mr. Carson _____
Mr. Coffey _____
Mr. Hendon _____
Mr. Holloman _____
Mr. Quinn Tamm _____
Mr. Nease _____
Miss Gandy _____



JAS. H. MATTHEWS & CO.

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STEEL STAMPS HOBS-MOULDS
RUBBER DIES RUBBER STAMPS
CHECKS-BADGES BRASS DIES
BRONZE MEMORIALS AND SIGNS

GENERAL OFFICES AND FACTORY 3942 FORBES STREET
PHONE: MAYFLOWER 7500

PITTSBURGH, PA.

ARLIE L. FOX,
PRESIDENT & GEN. MGR.
WILLIAM WITTE,
VICE PRES & GEN SUPT.
T. JEFFERSON MIERS,
SECRETARY & TREASURER

FACTORIES
BOSTON - - PHILADELPHIA
PITTSBURGH - NEW YORK
CHICAGO - - - DETROIT
NEWARK - - - SYRACUSE

February 6th, 1942

Mr. John Edgar Hoover,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

Thank you for your letter of January 30th, giving us the opportunity to send to you our latest catalogs covering rubber stamp sets, date sets, etc.

It is observed that you have copies of our catalog No. 144 covering this material and although the majority of the prices in that catalog are now obsolete, we have not yet completed a later catalog to supersede No. 144. However, this is in the process of preparation and we hope to have it ready for distribution within the next few months.

Until that time, we suggest that you continue to use No. 144 and we shall place a notation in our files that your office is to receive a copy of the new catalog just as soon as it may be issued.

Very truly yours,

JAS. H. MATTHEWS & CO.

N. N. Williams
N. N. Williams

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February 23, 1942

Mr. Charles M. Reed
Secretary
The J. F. W. Dorman Company,
Incorporated
526-528 North Calvert Street
Baltimore, Maryland

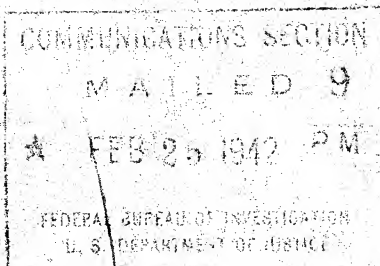
Dear Mr. Reed:

Reference is made to your letter of
February 3, 1942 advising that your #90 catalog
represents your latest printed edition.

I wish to thank you for this information
and for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely yours,

Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
Mr. Clegg _____
Mr. Glavin _____
Mr. Ladd _____
Mr. Nichols _____
Mr. Tracy _____
Mr. Rosen _____
Mr. Carson _____
Mr. Coffey _____
Mr. Hendon _____
Mr. Holloman _____
Mr. Quinn Tamm _____
Mr. Nease _____
Miss Gandy _____



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BUSINESS
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TR. J. F. W.

DORMAN

COMPANY, INC.

526-528 NORTH CALVERT STREET

BALTIMORE, MARYLAND, U. S. A.

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STEEL
STAMPS

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DOG CHECKS

METAL
SIGNS

BRONZE
TABLETS

CORPORATION
& NOTARY
SEALS

INKS FOR
RUBBER
STAMPS &
STENCILS

February 3, 1942

Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Attention: John Edgar Hoover

Dear Mr. Hoover:

We have your request dated January 30th regarding copy of our latest Catalogue and wish to inform you that you have in our No. 90 our latest printed Catalogue. This was first distributed in July, 1939.

We will certainly remember your office when we again print another Catalogue.

Very truly yours,

THE J. F. W. DORMAN CO.
Charles M. Reed
CHARLES M. REED, SECRETARY

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
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February 16, 1942

Mr. M. Leone
Louis Melind Company
362 West Chicago Avenue
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Mr. Leone:

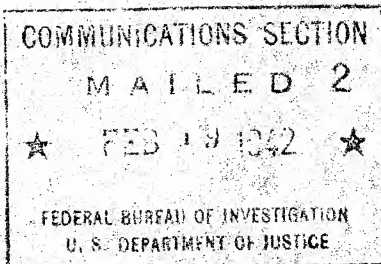
Reference is made to your letter of
February 4, 1942 stating that your #101 catalogue
is your latest edition.

Assuring you of my appreciation for your
cooperation in this matter, I am

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
Mr. Clegg _____
Mr. Glavin _____
Mr. Ladd _____
Mr. Nichols _____
Mr. Tracy _____
Mr. Rosen _____
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Mr. Coffey _____
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Mr. Holloman _____
Mr. Quinn Tamm _____
Mr. Nease _____
Miss Gandy _____



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**LOUIS
MELIND
COMPANY**

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362 W. CHICAGO AVE.

CHICAGO, ILL.

TEL. SUPERIOR 1811

February 4, 1942

Mr. John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Dept. of Justice
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

In reply to your letter of January 30.

We have issued no catalog since publishing our #101. Since you already have a copy of our latest catalog (the #101) your file is still up to date.

Sincerely yours,

LOUIS MELIND COMPANY

M. Leone

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80-613-115

February 16, 1942

Mr. J. R. Swift
President
The Superior Type Company
1800 West Larchmont Avenue
Chicago, Illinois

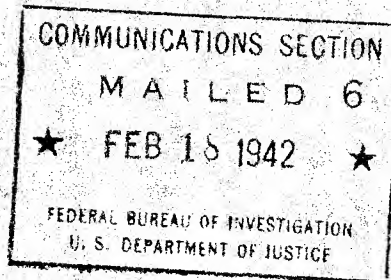
Dear Mr. Swift:

Reference is made to your letter of February 2, 1942 stating that you were sending to me under separate cover a copy of your Type Face catalogue.

I wish to thank you for this material, which has been received, and assure you of my appreciation for your interest and cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely yours,

Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
Mr. Clegg _____
Mr. Glavin _____
Mr. Ladd _____
Mr. Nichols _____
Mr. Tracy _____
Mr. Rosen _____
Mr. Carson _____
Mr. Coffey _____
Mr. Hendon _____
Mr. Holloman _____
Mr. Quinn Tamm _____
Mr. Nease _____
Miss Gandy _____



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THE SUPERIOR TYPE COMPANY

MARKING DEVICES, RUBBER TYPE,
INKS AND SUPPLIES

1800 W. LARCHMONT AVENUE
Telephone WEL. 4810

CHICAGO

February 2, 1942

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Mr. John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Hoover:

Answering your letter of January 30,
we have not issued any new catalog matter recently.
Owing to the difficulty of getting materials and
the necessity for shifting over into war-making
work, any cataloging motions are difficult to plan
and of doubtful use.

I am not quite sure whether we sent
you a copy of our Type Face catalog, and so am
sending a copy under separate cover. This is prob-
ably more comprehensive than any actual catalog
which we might show at the present time. It gives
the basis for all of our products which carry
printing faces whether they be standardized items
or made-to-order.

If, upon looking this over, you
would like to have additional copies, please advise.

While I have my pen in hand so to
speak, I want to express my deep appreciation of
the very valuable work which you are doing. Every-
where I go, I encounter a most wholesome respect
for you and your organization. Here's continued
strength to you good right arm!

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Sincerely yours

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
J. R. Swift, President
THE SUPERIOR TYPE COMPANY

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February 16, 1942

Mr. W. Rueffer
Eagle Stamp Works, Incorporated
162 North Franklin Street
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Mr. Rueffer:

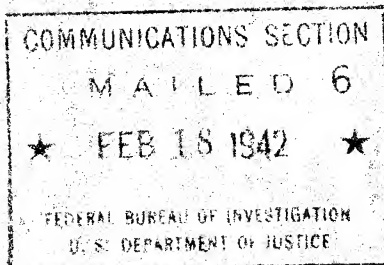
Reference is made to your letter of February 2, 1942 stating that you were forwarding to me copies of your latest catalogues and that you expect to have a new rubber stamp supplement printed up within the next thirty days.

I wish to thank you for the catalogues, which have been received, and will be pleased to receive your new rubber stamp supplement when it is ready for distribution.

Assuring you of my appreciation for your cooperation in this matter, I am

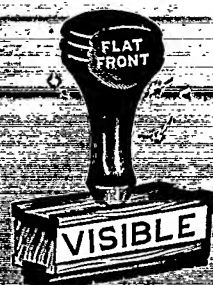
Sincerely yours,

Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
Mr. Clegg _____
Mr. Glavin _____
Mr. Ladd _____
Mr. Nichols _____
Mr. Tracy _____
Mr. Rosen _____
Mr. Carson _____
Mr. Coffey _____
Mr. Hendon _____
Mr. Holloman _____
Mr. Quinn Tamm _____
Mr. Nease _____
Miss Gandy _____



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JNW
R. E.
W. R.

TELEPHONE
DEARBORN 2971
DEARBORN 2972



EAGLE STAMP WORKS, INC.
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

162 NORTH
FRANKLIN ST.

February 2, 1942

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE
WASHINGTON, D. C.

Att: Mr. J. E. Hoover

Gentlemen:

We acknowledge with thanks receipt of your letter dated January 30 and as per your request we are forwarding to you under separate cover today copies of all the latest catalogs we have at the present time. We expect to have a new rubber stamp supplement printed up within the next thirty days' time and as soon as same is completed a copy of this catalog will be sent to you also.

Hoping this arrangement will be satisfactory, we remain

Very truly yours,

EAGLE STAMP WORKS, INC.

W. Rueffer
W. Rueffer

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February 16, 1942

Mr. A. R. Vitale
R. A. Stewart and Company,
Incorporated
80 Duane Street
New York, New York

Dear Mr. Vitale:

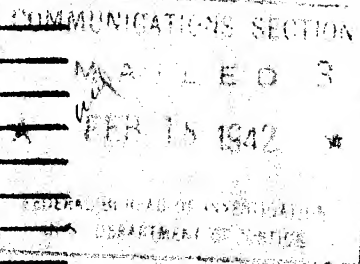
Reference is made to your letter of
February 2, 1942 stating that your #93 catalogue is
your latest edition.

Assuring you of my appreciation for your
cooperation in this matter, I am

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
Mr. Clegg _____
Mr. Glavin _____
Mr. Ladd _____
Mr. Nichols _____
Mr. Tracy _____
Mr. Rosen _____
Mr. Carson _____
Mr. Coffey _____
Mr. Hendon _____
Mr. Holloman _____
Mr. Quinn Tamm _____
Mr. Nease _____
Miss Gandy _____



Handwritten: 13, 310, JNW, Re.

R. A. STEWART & COMPANY, INC.

DISTRIBUTORS OF CROWN, TRIUMPH, SUPERIOR, HILCO, BEACON

80 DUANE STREET

NEW YORK, N. Y.

MODERN MARKING DEVICES

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February 2, 1942

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[Signature]

John Edgar Hoover
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

We are in receipt of your letter of Jan. 30th and wish to advise you that catalogue #93 was the last catalogue we issued. We did not issue any catalogue or any descriptive literature on any of our products since August, 1939.

Yours very truly,

R. A. STEWART & COMPANY, INC.

[Signature of A. R. Vitale]

A. R. Vitale

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION	
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JNW:AL

January 30, 1942

Miss A. Perella
Secretary
Wm. Baumgarten and Company
111 E. Fayette Street
Baltimore, Maryland

Dear Miss Perella:

The Bureau would be pleased to receive the latest catalogs which you have for distribution concerning rubber stamp sets, date sets, and line date bank stamps. If you have varied and different catalogs concerning these, it would be appreciated if you would furnish the Bureau with a copy of each.

At the present time I have catalogs of your company numbered 20 and 30.

Assuring you of my appreciation for your cooperation in this matter, I am

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
Mr. Clegg _____
Mr. Glavin _____
Mr. Ladd _____
Mr. Nichols _____
Mr. Tracy _____
Mr. Rosen _____
Mr. Carson _____
Mr. Coffey _____
Mr. Hendon _____
Mr. Holloman _____
Mr. Quinn Tamm _____
Mr. Nease _____
Miss Gandy _____

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JNW:AL

January 30, 1942

Mr. J. T. Marks
The C. H. Hanson Company
303 West Erie Street
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Mr. Marks:

The Bureau would be pleased to receive the latest catalogs which you have for distribution concerning rubber stamp sets, date sets, and line date bank stamps. If you have varied and different catalogs concerning these, it would be appreciated if you would furnish the Bureau with a copy of each.

At the present time I have a catalog of your company numbered 90, together with replacement folders numbered S5126, S5203, S5214, S5236 and Form 3132A.

Assuring you of my appreciation for your cooperation in this matter, I am

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
Mr. Clegg _____
Mr. Glavin _____
Mr. Ladd _____
Mr. Nichols _____
Mr. Tracy _____
Mr. Rosen _____
Mr. Carson _____
Mr. Coffey _____
Mr. Hendon _____
Mr. Holloman _____
Mr. Quinn Tamm _____
Mr. Nease _____
Miss Gandy _____

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JAN 31 1942
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January 30, 1942

JNW:AL

Mr. Charles M. Reed
Secretary
The J. F. W. Dorman Company,
Incorporated
526-528 North Calvert Street
Baltimore, Maryland

Dear Mr. Reed:

The Bureau would be pleased to receive the latest catalogs which you have for distribution concerning rubber stamp sets, date sets, and line date bank stamps. If you have varied and different catalogs concerning these, it would be appreciated if you would furnish the Bureau with a copy of each.

At the present time I have catalogs of your company numbered 80 and 90 and a catalog showing the title "Type Faces and Electrotypes for Rubber Stamps".

Assuring you of my appreciation for your cooperation in this matter, I am

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
Mr. Clegg _____
Mr. Glavin _____
Mr. Ladd _____
Mr. Nichols _____
Mr. Tracy _____
Mr. Rosen _____
Mr. Carson _____
Mr. Coffey _____
Mr. Hendon _____
Mr. Holloman _____
Mr. Quinn Tamm _____
Mr. Nease _____
Miss Gandy _____

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

JAN 31 1942

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January 30, 1942

JHE:AL

Mr. M. Leone
Louis Melind Company
362 West Chicago Avenue
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Mr. Leone:

The Bureau would be pleased to receive the latest catalogs which you have for distribution concerning rubber stamp sets, date sets, and line date bank stamps. If you have varied and different catalogs concerning these, it would be appreciated if you would furnish the Bureau with a copy of each.

At the present time I have two catalogs of your company showing the numbers 60 and 101 respectively.

Assuring you of my appreciation for your cooperation in this matter, I am

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
Mr. Clegg _____
Mr. Glavin _____
Mr. Ladd _____
Mr. Nichols _____
Mr. Tracy _____
Mr. Rosen _____
Mr. Carson _____
Mr. Coffey _____
Mr. Hendon _____
Mr. Holloman _____
Mr. Quinn Tamm _____
Mr. Nease _____
Miss Gandy _____

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
JAN 31 1942
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

JNW:AL

January 30, 1942

Mr. W. Rueffer
Eagle Stamp Works, Incorporated
162 North Franklin Street
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Mr. Rueffer:

The Bureau would be pleased to receive the latest catalogs which you have for distribution concerning rubber stamp sets, date sets, and line date bank stamps. If you have varied and different catalogs concerning these, it would be appreciated if you would furnish the Bureau with a copy of each.

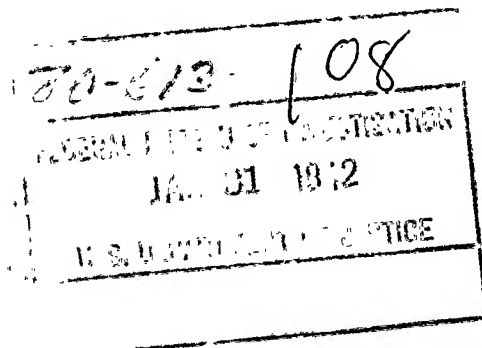
At the present time the latest catalog of your company I have is for the year 1939.

Assuring you of my appreciation for your cooperation in this matter, I am

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
Mr. Clegg _____
Mr. Glavin _____
Mr. Ladd _____
Mr. Nichols _____
Mr. Tracy _____
Mr. Rosen _____
Mr. Carson _____
Mr. Coffey _____
Mr. Hendon _____
Mr. Holloman _____
Mr. Quinn Tamm _____
Mr. Nease _____
Miss Gandy _____



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January 30, 1942

JNW:AL

Mr. A. J. Smith
Johnson Smith and Company
6615 East Jefferson Avenue
Detroit, Michigan

Dear Mr. Smith:

The Bureau would be pleased to receive the latest catalogs which you have for distribution concerning rubber stamp sets, date sets, and line date bank stamps. If you have varied and different catalogs concerning these, it would be appreciated if you would furnish the Bureau with a copy of each.

At the present time I have two catalogs of your company numbered 145 and 403 respectively.

Assuring you of my appreciation for your cooperation in this matter, I am

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
Mr. Clegg _____
Mr. Glavin _____
Mr. Ladd _____
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Mr. Carson _____
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Miss Gandy _____

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

JAN 31 1942

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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JNW:AL

January 30, 1942

Mr. N. H. Williams
Jas. H. Matthews and Company
3942 Forbes Street
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. Williams:

The Bureau would be pleased to receive the latest catalogs which you have for distribution concerning rubber stamp sets, date sets, and line date bank stamps. If you have varied and different catalogs concerning these, it would be appreciated if you would furnish the Bureau with a copy of each.

At the present time I have two catalogs of your company numbered 128 and 144.

Assuring you of my appreciation for your cooperation in this matter, I am

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
Mr. Clegg _____
Mr. Glavin _____
Mr. Ladd _____
Mr. Nichols _____
Mr. Tracy _____
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February 17, 1942

Mr. William Baumgarten
William Baumgarten and Company
111 West Fayette Street
Baltimore, Maryland

Dear Mr. Baumgarten:

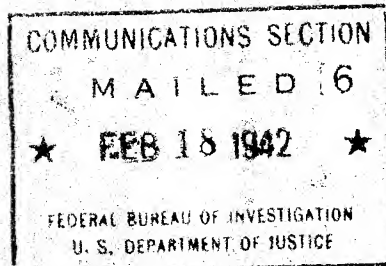
Reference is made to your letter
of January 31, 1942 with which you enclosed your #31
Specimen Type sheet for rubber stamps.

I wish to thank you for this
material and for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
Mr. Clegg _____
Mr. Glavin _____
Mr. Ladd _____
Mr. Nichols _____
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BALTIMORE, MD.

January 31, 1942.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D.C.

Attention: John Edgar Hoover, Director

Gentlemen:

In compliance with your request of January 30th, we are herewith enclosing our #31 Specimen Type sheet for rubber stamps. Our #20 and #30 catalogues still remain in effect and we regret that we cannot send you additional copies of them as our supply has been entirely exhausted, and we are issuing no other catalogue at the present time.

Very truly yours

~~WM.~~ WM. BAUMGARTEN & CO.

Wm. Baumgarten
Wm. Baumgarten

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JNW:AL

January 30, 1942

Mr. A. R. Vitale
R. A. Stewart and Company, Incorporated
80 Duane Street
New York, New York

Dear Mr. Vitale:

The Bureau would be pleased to receive the latest catalogs which you have for distribution concerning rubber stamp sets, date sets, and line date bank stamps. If you have varied and different catalogs concerning these, it would be appreciated if you would furnish the Bureau with a copy of each.

At the present time I have four catalogs of your company which show the numbers 68, 74, 83 and 93 respectively.

Assuring you of my appreciation for your cooperation in this matter, I am

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
Mr. Clegg _____
Mr. Glavin _____
Mr. Ladd _____
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January 30, 1942

JNW:AL

Mr. F. H. Bronner
The Irwin-Hodson Company
439 N. W. 15th Avenue
Portland, Oregon

Dear Mr. Bronner:

The Bureau would be pleased to receive the latest catalogs which you have for distribution concerning rubber stamp sets, date sets, and line date bank stamps. If you have varied and different catalogs concerning these, it would be appreciated if you would furnish the Bureau with a copy of each.

At the present time I have two catalogs of your company numbered T83 and G.66.

Assuring you of my appreciation for your cooperation in this matter, I am

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
Mr. Clegg _____
Mr. Glavin _____
Mr. Ladd _____
Mr. Nichols _____
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JNW:AL

January 30, 1942

Consolidated Stamp Manufacturing Company
87 Maiden Lane
New York, New York

Gentlemen:

The Bureau would be pleased to receive the latest catalogs which you have for distribution concerning rubber stamp sets, date sets, and line date bank stamps. If you have varied and different catalogs concerning these, it would be appreciated if you would furnish the Bureau with a copy of each.

At the present time I have catalogs of your company numbered 25, 70 and 85.

Assuring you of my appreciation for your cooperation in this matter, I am

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
Mr. Clegg _____
Mr. Glavin _____
Mr. Ladd _____
Mr. Nichols _____
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January 30, 1942

JNW:AL

Mr. Robert A. Pannier
Treasurer
Pannier Brothers Stamp Company
207-209 Sandusky Street, N. S.
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. Pannier:

The Bureau would be pleased to receive the latest catalogs which you have for distribution concerning rubber stamp sets, date sets, and line date bank stamps. If you have varied and different catalogs concerning these, it would be appreciated if you would furnish the Bureau with a copy of each.

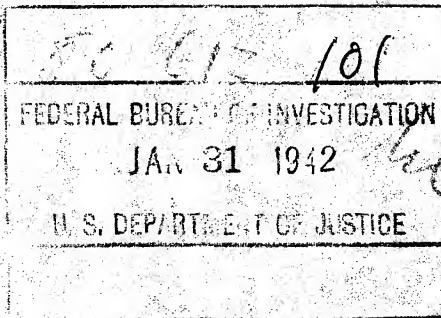
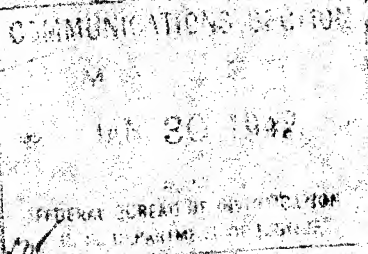
At the present time I have six catalogs of your company, four of them are numbered 60, 61, 62 and 63 respectively and two bear the titles "National Rubber Type Faces" and "National Heat and Inspectors Stamps" respectively.

Assuring you of my appreciation for your cooperation in this matter, I am

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
Mr. Clegg _____
Mr. Glavin _____
Mr. Ladd _____
Mr. Nichols _____
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Mr. Holloman _____
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Mr. Nease _____
Miss Gandy _____



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January 30, 1942

Mr. L. H. Tavernier
Fulton Specialty Company
200 Fifth Avenue
New York, New York

Dear Mr. Tavernier:

The Bureau would be pleased to receive the latest catalogs which you have for distribution concerning rubber stamp sets, date sets and line date bank stamps. If you have varied and different catalogs concerning these, it would be appreciated if you would furnish the Bureau with a copy of each.

At the present time I have catalogs of your company numbered 40 and 41.

Assuring you of my appreciation for your cooperation in this matter, I am

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
Mr. Clegg _____
Mr. Glavin _____
Mr. Ladd _____
Mr. Nichols _____
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January 30, 1942

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Mr. J. R. Swift
President
The Superior Type Company
1800 W. Larchmont Avenue
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Mr. Swift:

The Bureau would be pleased to receive the latest catalogs which you have for distribution concerning rubber stamp sets, date sets, and line date bank stamps. If you have varied and different catalogs concerning these, it would be appreciated if you would furnish the Bureau with a copy of each.

At the present time I have two catalogs of your company numbered 41 and 103 and also your "Wholesale Catalog and Price Bulletin", together with the new material for this latter catalog as mentioned in your letter of February 19, 1941.

Assuring you of my appreciation for your cooperation in this matter, I am

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
Mr. Clegg _____
Mr. Glavin _____
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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

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March 17, 1941

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. LADD

Re: Status of ⁰Rubber Stamp File

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During January of this year 15 of the principal rubber stamp companies in the United States who distribute rubber stamp sets, date sets and line date bank stamps were contacted requesting their latest catalogues.

At the present time most of the rubber stamp companies have sent their latest catalogues to the Bureau or have indicated their intention of doing so as soon as their new catalogues were printed. In a few instances the Bureau was notified that the catalogues already in the Bureau's files represented their latest editions. In regard to those companies which have not as yet had their latest catalogues printed but would send them as soon as they were ready, ticklers are being maintained and after a reasonable time the companies will be contacted again in order that the rubber stamp file may be as complete and up-to-date as possible. As soon as the new catalogues are received in the Technical Laboratory, they are placed in the rubber stamp file cabinet located in Room 1410.

Respectfully,

E. P. Coffey

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

RCF:ON

February 28, 1940.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. LADD

Re: Treatise entitled "The Rubber
Stamp File".

There is attached hereto the treatise entitled
"The Rubber Stamp File" which was prepared by Mr. R. C.
Feehan of the laboratory at your request.

Respectfully,

E. P. Coffey.

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February 7, 1940.

THE RUBBER STAMP FILE

With the seemingly unnumbered methods used by the writers of anonymous letters, the rubber stamp and dated stamp have entered the field of conveying the unhealthy thoughts of character assassins to citizens, causing sorrow, worry, and even death.

In connection with various investigations conducted by the field divisions of the Bureau with respect to cases in which extortion letters have been written by rubber or dater stamp technique, it was felt desirable to establish a file conducive to identification of the manufacturers of these mechanical products. In 1937 to this end manufacturers of these implements throughout the country were contacted and the attempt was made to appropriate a collection of stamp impressions in order that the source of rubber stamp impressions appearing on extortion letters from time to time might be more readily ascertained. As a result of investigation along these lines it became apparent that the majority of layer companies were equipped to manufacture rubber stamps to order; but they did not, as a rule, stock the rubber stamps manufactured by themselves. Most of the layer establishments carried an incomplete line of the products of some one of the relatively few manufacturing companies, and the collection of rubber stamp impressions from the various companies listed would obviously result in much duplication. In addition, the cost of supplying a complete set of impressions from a single company was found, in some instances, to run as high as one thousand dollars. Accordingly, efforts were bent toward securing catalogues from rubber stamp manufacturers showing the principal styles and sizes of the rubber type supplied by them. A type style, might originate with any one of three principal sources or industries: namely, the engraver, the type founder, or the rubber stamp manufacturer. The principal engraving company, the Wiebking Engraving Company, 113 Newport Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, has approximately two thousand styles and sizes of type available. The principal type founding company, the American Type Foundry Corporation, Elizabeth, New Jersey, has approximately five or six thousand different type styles and sizes.

Upon the basis of such a catalogued collection, investigations

having for their purpose the discovery of the source of rubber stamp printing proceed along the following lines.

1. All catalogues maintained in the Laboratory are carefully searched for the style and size of type involved in the investigation.

2. In the event of failure to locate the type in one of the catalogues available, contact would then be made with a representative of the Government Printing Office, in an effort to identify the style and size of type. In addition to the possible eliciting of information relative to the source of such type, this procedure would permit the accurate description of the type in subsequent investigative action.

3. A representative of the Trade Magazine, "Marking Devices", or a representative of the Marking Devices Association in Chicago, Illinois, is next contacted for information relative to the probable sources of such type.

4. Individual companies whose names have been obtained as a result of the above three steps would then be contacted by specific location of type, style, and size involved, and for information relative to its distribution.

Preliminary test cards are available in the files of the Bureau, consisting of 8 X 8 pieces of white cardboard on which have been glued specimens showing particular sizes and shapes of letters of different office printing outfits and toy printing outfits, together with the name of the company handling same. By way of illustration, among the outfits represented is a "Mickey Mouse" printing set and a "Benjamin Franklin" printing set. Dater rubber stamp impressions appear on an 8 X 8 card representing six of the larger rubber stamp distributing houses of the United States. These impressions in most instances show the Gothic as well as the Roman type print.

The preliminary test card method in many instances is sufficient in itself to afford the information sought.

The Fulton, Benjamin Franklin, and Prentice Rubber Stamp Set, costing about \$.25 apiece are, by their very inexpensiveness and availability in five and ten cent stores and department stores, apt to be used by individuals intent on using this device in preparing a rubber stamp extortion note.

On examining specimens that have been created by the rubber stamp, one must take into consideration and be extremely careful of the variance in the stamped impression of the characters. It was found, through actual research, that the capital letter "A" of a certain printing outfit stamped two hundred and fifty times showed the following information: that the serifs on the legs of the A were visible in one hundred and seventy-eight instances and that, in the remaining impressions, the right leg of the A, from the

cross bar down, was either missing or badly blurred. Two hundred and fifty subsequent impressions were taken of the same letter A and in one hundred and fifty-five instances the bottom serif showed. There were sixty two times when the right leg was partially missing. The impressions of various other letters were made and the result of similar experiments showed general corresponding tendencies of uneven impressions. Namely, the letters of rubber stamp outfits do not show a consistency in the evenness of their print. This may be due to uneven alignment of letters in the form holder, uneven application of pressure by the operator, and the movement of letters in the form holder when each impression is made. These manifestations, on the other hand, may not be due to any one of these factors, but rather may be evolved from a combination of even two or more of these factors. With this thought in mind, it is deemed advisable in making an examination of rubber stamped impressions to ascertain faults which might appear in the character impressions which run consistently through the printed document. These so-called faults are usually manifested in the type impressions of the dater and rubber stamp outfits. They are caused in the making of the letters or have been subjected to some cause resulting in accident to them in their use after purchase. The outstanding fault, and one that is indicative of identity, is a space showing in a broken line of a character that appears consistently. It is quite probable that through accident a part of the character has been damaged and a segment of the line is missing. With this space taking place in the line which should be continuous, there is no cause to believe that it is due to uneven alignment of the letter in the form holder, uneven application of pressure by the operator, or movement of the letter in the form holder when the impression was made.

The rubber stamp has not been used extensively in creating the great numbers of anonymous letters that appear in the Technical Laboratory during the year for examination purposes, but, by the very fact that this simple and honorably intended and often childish device falls as easily into the hands of criminals as into our own, the Federal Bureau of Investigation has gathered the most intimate facts relevant to the manufacture of these instruments; catalogued, reassembled, and compiled such statistics, to await their practical use in deciphering certain elements of crime.

RCF:ON

February 28, 1940.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. LADD

Re: Treatise entitled "The Rubber
Stamp File".

There is attached hereto the treatise entitled
"The Rubber Stamp File" which was prepared by Mr. R. C.
Feehan of the laboratory at your request.

Respectfully,

E. P. Coffey.

Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. Nathan _____
Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
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Mr. Rosen _____
Mr. Quinn Tamm _____
Mr. Tracy _____
Miss Gandy _____

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March 10, 1941

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Mr. J. R. Swift
President
The Superior Type Company
1800 W. Larchmont Avenue
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Mr. Swift:

Reference is made to your letter of February 19, 1941 stating that you were sending to me under separate cover recently completed pages of your wholesale catalog.

I wish to thank you for the material which was sent and for your continued cooperation.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. Clegg _____
Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
Mr. Foxworth _____
Mr. Nathan _____
Mr. Ladd _____
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THE SUPERIOR TYPE COMPANY

MARKING DEVICES, RUBBER TYPE,
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1800 W. LARCHMONT AVENUE
Telephone WEL. 4810

CHICAGO

February 19, 1941

Mr. John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

In answer to your letter of February 15, we are sending you under separate cover the recently completed pages and discount sheets for our wholesale catalog. There are others still in the process which will be sent you when completed. If you will be kind enough to have the old pages withdrawn from the ring binder and these new ones inserted, you will be reasonably up to date. We have had your name put on our mailing list so that you will receive each new page as it is issued.

As to the new material sent you, we would call your attention particularly to pages F15, 16, 17, H4, and I13.

Please do not hesitate to call upon us if we can be of service at any time in connection with your work.

Very truly yours,

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J. R. Swift, President
THE SUPERIOR TYPE COMPANY

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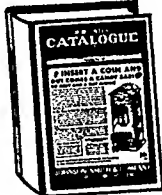
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CATALOG (600 PAGES) FREE

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
WASHINGTON, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

We are in receipt of your letter of the
17th instant, and as requested, we are sending you a
copy of our current catalog, #403.

Assuring you of our cooperation, when-
ever we can be of service, and with kind regards,

Yours very truly,

JOHNSON SMITH & COMPANY.

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The phrase of the moment is "Aid to England." I, for one, am sick of it. Dr. Gallup says practically all Americans favor "aid to England." Most of our columnists speak learnedly of the "aid" we already are giving Britain. Our President delivers himself of the odd observation that our "aid to England" has reached its peak. (You may be tired of those quotation marks, but so am I.)

Has there ever in the strange history of civilized men been any such colossal, such maddening, such utterly stupid and indefensible hypocrisy as that represented by the phrase "Aid to England"?

In heaven's high name, how have we aided England? When? Whose sacrifice produced the aid?

I'll tell you what we have done. It is very simple.

We have SOLD England an indeterminate number of military airplanes. She has paid cash. She has come and got them.

We have SOLD England, I understand, some old rifles and various shipments of ammunition. She paid cash. She came and got them.

We have SOLD England, it is hinted, some tanks, especially some tanks we wanted tested on desert battlefields.

We have SOLD England grain and sugar, iron and cotton, shoes and ships and sealing wax.

England must (under our law) pay cash.

England must (under our helpful law) come and get them.

Finally, in a moment of benign generosity, we traded England some rotting destroyers for some air and naval bases so valuable to our defense that even Mr. Churchill had difficulty justifying the deal to his Parliament.

We are going (as part of our magnificent program of "aid to England") to sell her more and more planes, if our factories will just decide to produce them fast enough.

We are going to sell England practically anything she wants—if we don't want it first—and we are going to let her use our own American ports to load her purchases into her own ships.

And Napoleon called England a nation of shopkeepers!

Oh, America, thou valiant, thou strong. Land of freedom. Eternal foe of cruelty and oppression, defender of men's minds and men's properties—of men's "rights."

What an inspiration we are to the suffering humanity of older, more benighted lands. We are opening our hearts. We are opening our order books. We are ready to sell England several useful items.

We are in the throes of a pleasant national orgy of "aid to England."

Ain't it wonderful?

LET'S FACE THE FACTS

No. 22

Address to the Men and Women
of Canada

BY

MADAME PIERRE CASGRAIN

over a national network of
the Canadian Broadcasting
Corporation, Sunday night,
Dec. 15, 1940, at the invita-
tion of the Director of Public
Information for Canada

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Following is the full text of the radio speech delivered by Madame Pierre Casgrain in the series "Let's Face the Facts" on Sunday night, December 15:

I feel bound to admit to you, quite frankly, how much more difficult than I anticipated, has been the task of preparing this radio address, so that its presentation would convey to my listeners the message which I so earnestly desire to impress upon their minds and hearts.

Facing, as we have faced, during the last few years, a series of world events almost without parallel in history; feeling, as we have felt, the shock of these events, as their impact made the entire universe tremble; trying, as we have tried, to follow the baffling trend and intricate pattern out of which the history of this period will, at some future date, present a picture endowed with some degree of clarity, it is not easy for any one of us to find a suitable set of phrases to convey one's emotions, one's aims and desires, one's modest suggestions as to the means to be used to reach the goal we all have set for ourselves. Living as I do, as we all do, in the midst of a world in arms, I feel crushed by the consciousness of the massing of millions of men, of countless machines, on land, and sea, and in the air, making up tremendous aggregations of physical force, arrayed against each other, in as ghastly a struggle as humanity has ever witnessed.

MUST FACE FACTS

And in the months that lie before us—many would say the years—everything points to an even greater effort directed at increasing the forces facing each other in this mortal combat. To those of us who have followed, to

some extent at least, the devious trends of international politics, since the time when the Treaty of Versailles marked the official termination of what we now call, alas, the "first" world war, there have been apparent so many cross-currents, so many anomalous developments, so many obvious contradictions, that I think I state what many of us must have felt at various times, when I say that it was no easy task for us to discern *who* was our friend and *who* our foe. Oh! let's face the facts—and squarely. We of the Democracies owe our present situation, in no small part, to furtive glances at ugly symptoms, and to wishful thinking. But the facts remained—they do *still*—and they must be *faced*.

We have watched, for nearly four years, the titanic struggle between China and Japan. We were spectators, too, during the three long years of the Civil War in Spain. I don't propose to enumerate the all-too-well known and disastrous sequence of events made possible by what became known as the policy of appeasement—a policy which was terribly confusing to the minds of all sincere supporters of democratic government. To illustrate my point let me recall the last two scenes of the pre-war drama.

First there was the absorption by Hitler of democratic Czechoslovakia. Then followed his brutal attack upon Poland. And there the curtain falls, only to rise again on the tragedy we now have before our eyes—the second world war. I shall not dwell on the series of shattering scenes from Warsaw to Dunkirk. We all know the story of that nightmare. It left freedom-loving millions, the world over, dazed by the swiftness and apparently irres-

istible power of the Nazi war-machine.

With barely a pause the momentum of Hitler's mechanized hordes carried them to Paris, and France collapsed. The whole thing was like a cyclone in its intensity, but like a cyclone it cleared the air. In my humble opinion the capitulation of France marked the turning point in the struggle between freedom and vassalage, between liberty and slavery, between human dignity and bestial bondage.

Obviously it would require a volume to present a clear picture of Europe at that moment. There lay the prostrate Continent, like a broken mirror, but with one piece, Great Britain, saved from the wreckage. That piece was large enough and sound enough to reflect to the whole world the light of hope, courage and decency that still shone in the anxious eyes of freedom-loving people everywhere. So reflected, every battle won by Hitler stood out as the victory, not of people, but of Brute Force over Human Freedom.

PROGRESS OF BARBARISM

The battle of Poland, the battle of Norway, the battle of the Low Countries, the battle of France—all were milestones along the road of Barbarism—a road paved with the prostrate, mutilated bodies of countless peace-loving human beings. Victories? Yes, but for whom and for what? For brute force, for the debasement of human dignity, for Adolf Hitler in his attempt at the enslavement of mankind. Poor victories, those, soaked in the blood of innocents who cried to Heaven for retribution.

And now we are witnessing the Battle of Britain. Britain's battle, true enough, in the physical de-

LET'S FACE THE FACTS

No. 23

Address to the Men and Women
of Canada

BY

MR. EDWIN S. JOHNSON

Superintendent, London Bureau of The Canadian Press.

over a national network of
the Canadian Broadcasting
Corporation, Sunday night,
Dec. 22, 1940, at the invita-
tion of the Director of Public
Information for Canada

Text of the address of Edwin S. Johnson, over the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation national network Sunday night follows:

I have been back in Canada for two weeks. I returned here from the British Isles, where, since 1937, I have been in charge of the London bureau of the Canadian Press. I have followed the events which preceded this war and to many of them I have been an eye-witness. Three weeks before the declaration of war I was in Berlin and only six days before we went to war with Germany, I was in Rome. I have been bombed out of my home and out of my office and I have had more narrow escapes from death than I like to contemplate. I tell you this not for the purpose of giving you any exaggerated opinion about myself but to emphasize the fact that what I have to say to you tonight is the truth.

In the few days that I have been in Canada, I have been from coast to coast. Wherever I have gone I have heard it said that much of what you read in the daily newspapers and what you hear over the air is just so much propaganda. Well, there are two opinions about that. But what I would like you to know is that what I may say to you tonight is the truth and any opinions that I might venture to express are based upon the truth as far as my perception and my experience let me understand it.

Tonight, I am putting aside my official clothes as a member of the Canadian Press. I am going to talk to you as one Canadian to another and the responsibility for what I say is mine.

To anyone returning recently to this country it is obvious that you, my fellow Canadians, find it difficult to realize or even to imagine what is going on in our embattled Motherland. You try hard to do so but you can't even begin to understand how, over there, every day and every night death and a stark terror ride the skies or to sense the desolation and suffering that is occurring. You do not realize how appalling it is to see the indiscriminate slaughter of civilians—defenseless men, women and children; the destruction of their homes and of treasures which have enriched our history for centuries. I hope you never will see it there or here. But I would like you to realize it and all its terrible implications.

JUST THE BEGINNING.

This sort of thing is taking place every day in the British Isles. Yet it's just the beginning of the frightfulness we can expect from this ruthless, barbarous foe whose leader has said he never will put aside his corporal's tunic until he has smashed the British Empire and achieved world domination. World domination includes the domination of North America.

There is no doubt about what is in this man's mind. Nor is there any doubt that the one challenge to it is Britain—Britain under the brilliant and dynamic leadership of Winston Churchill. This was the challenge he spoke and it is the challenge of our Empire. "We shall never surrender." . . . "Britain will fight the menace of tyranny for years and, if necessary, alone."

Thus is the issue joined. It is a fight to a finish. A violent clash between diametrically opposed ideologies—the most stupendous struggle in history between civilization and barbarism. At the moment the advantage lies with Germany and her satellites although her junior partner in crime, Italy, is reeling badly under the relentless pounding of Britain and her gallant ally, Greece.

We shall gain nothing by bitterness and incrimination for those mistakes and those policies which permitted our Empire to lapse into such a sorry state of unpreparedness to meet this challenge. You and I as well as our leaders were to blame. And we have paid dearly for that era of blundering and incompetence. We came very close to the humiliation of defeat which France suffered. But there is reason to believe, to hope and to be confident. For when we survey the magnitude of the disaster that overwhelmed our expeditionary force in Europe, we must feel a surge of pride in the resilience of our Empire when we contemplate its recovery.

BRITAIN NEEDS HELP

In the British Isles they are no longer saying "things may not be going so well for us but we'll muddle through somehow." The grim realities of common danger have ended such complacency. Canada must end it too for the defeat of Great Britain means that we in Canada will be in the position that Great Britain is in today. And I say to you solemnly that

Great Britain cannot win unless you help her with all your might.

Britain will fight to the end. You can depend upon that. Under the spur of able, energetic leadership, the people of the British Isles have submitted to a self-imposed discipline. With sober awareness of the menace that confronts them they are marshalling the full power of their resources and energies not only in the defence of their home but of this Empire and civilization everywhere. Never were the British people more courageous. Never has it been so aptly said that "Britain awaits her hour and counts not the hours between." How true ring today the words uttered by Walter Page, United States Ambassador to the Court of St. James in 1916 when he said:

"Just when you would like to hang them for their stupidity you become aware of such noble stuff in the British people that you thank God they were your ancestors. Europe would be a bloody slave pen today but for them."

Except for activity in the air and on the sea the war today is almost a counterpart of the war a year ago. Yet, from bitter experiences we can rest assured that Hitler has not been idle and is not idle now. You can be sure that he is concocting some nefarious and dreadful scheme, the full weight of which he will unleash against us with all the fury within his power at the moment when he believes it will be successful.

WHAT WE ARE FACING

Have you ever pondered what we are facing? Do you realize that we have not yet felt the shock of the full momentum of a total war by a regimented nation of nearly 75,000,000 people, all of these people subordinating every interest to that of the state, obedient to and worshipping with fanatical faith this new-found god of theirs—the former Austrian paperhanger?

Do you realize that for years German factories have been operating full blast day and night, producing weapons of war aimed at our extermination? To attain this end they are still working. Under compulsion, the German people long ago ceased to enjoy those rights and privileges of life that the people of the British Isles are just beginning to surrender voluntarily. We in Canada and in the rest of the Empire must match the sacrifices of our fellow men

fence of her island, but at the same time a most intricate battle in a war which is not Britain's only, but the war of all free peoples against the totalitarian dictators.

War is like a monstrous plague—sometimes it brings out some hidden power of resistance in the body of a nation. The present war has done that. It has revealed the presence in democratic countries of fundamental virtues of courage and tenacity which normal times had often failed to disclose. The war has also forced Democracies to undertake a more lucid analysis of their own weaknesses. Only the timid or the blind may be shocked by this frank—if tardy—admission of negligence by the Democracies of the world. Why should any of us refuse to acknowledge the vital necessity for this "examen de conscience"? We must know the truth about ourselves and acknowledge our mistakes if we are to win this war and profit by the experience.

AFTER THE WAR—WHAT?

Winning the war is one thing, and winning the peace is another. What do we wish to salvage from the onslaught of dictatorial Germany? Surely not the meaningless brand of democracy which failed to keep us away from war—surely not the policies which brought about the invasion of Poland—surely not the false concept of liberty which led us towards a dangerous form of dictatorship—that of excessive money power? Anti-social, anti-human, anti-national procedures do not become acceptable because they bear the seal of a democratic state. But we all know that, unfortunately, these methods were too often allowed to grow and

develop in almost every Democracy of the world.

The greatest error of all would be to condemn democracy itself on these grounds. Democracy has not failed as a form of government. Basically, it is neither obsolete nor inadequate in relation to our present needs. It has not proved inferior to the dictatorial concept of the State.

The simple truth is, that WE have failed Democracy.

While enjoying all individual, and social and national liberties, we forget a principle as old as the world itself—no privilege is without a duty—no authority without an obligation—no freedom without a responsibility. It is for us to see that a distorted picture of political freedom is not permitted to obliterate from our hearts the ideals of true Democracy.

No, indeed, men have not been corrupted by Democracy, nor have they lost their courage, or their beliefs, or their sense of patriotism because they lived in free countries. Conversely, Dictatorship has not built new virtues in the hearts of men. It is not, in any way, an insurance against cowardice. The fascist Italy of Koritz is no more noble, and no happier, than the Democratic Italy of Caporetto.

Let us not seek the source of our ills or the reasons for our vulnerability in the systems we have erected, when the *real root* of it all is to be found in *ourselves*.

CANADA'S ROLE IMPORTANT

The role to be played by the Canadian people in this war will be an important factor of allied resistance. We have come to realize very clearly the threat hanging over our homes like a dark cloud. This realization has brought about a better under-

standing of our duty as individuals. In a country like ours where two great nationalities live together, it sometimes takes a crisis to revive a spirit of sincere co-operation and to silence the voice of racial sectionalism. I am happy to say that Canada has never been more united as a nation than she is today in the midst of our war effort.

This is neither the time nor the place to discuss the reasons why our country declared war on Germany. But I should like to emphasize the fact that Canadians of French origin are unanimously behind their Government in these times of labour and sacrifice. They have faith in Democracy—in a democracy that will safeguard their liberties, and respect their beliefs. And since this series has been called *Let's Face the Facts*, I invite you to face with me one vital fact with which all Canadians are concerned.

FRENCH CANADA LOYAL

My people are *loyal* to Canada—but they wish to maintain their racial integrity in the political set-up of Confederation. For the English-speaking Canadian, England is a spiritual metropolis. We, French Canadians, understand and respect this irresistible sympathy on their part for the country of Shakespeare, Byron and Shelley. We cannot deny the imperative voice of the blood in their veins, of the thoughts in their minds, of the love in their hearts. We ourselves admire England as one of the greatest nations of the world. In return, we expect our fellow-Canadians to understand our love and admiration for the land of our ancestors—unhappy France—and to realize that we ourselves suffer from her wounds. Only an observance of mutual understanding will keep

intact the solidarity of the Canadian people. This spirit of co-operation between different nationalities is one of the ideals of Democracy we have been too inclined to forget in the past.

By applying now, in Canada, the principles of a true Democracy, we will work together in perfect harmony, towards one ultimate goal—winning the war. Let us not fool ourselves. Germany will not be beaten easily. She is now making the rashest gamble ever attempted by a nation in the history of the world. The German writer Bernhardt has stated: "For us there can be only the alternative of ruin or world domination." That is why this war is going to be a long, gruelling one to a finish between the Reich and the Democracies of the world. Hitler has spun the wheel and, with panic in his heart, he is now grimly waiting for it to stop and spell his fate. He has reason to be worried. The proposed invasion of England has not materialized. The terrifying threat of Nazi total war has failed to crush our spirits and there is much doubt about the ability of the German war machine to accomplish in the future what it could not do in the first twelve

months, when it had the decisive advantage of confidence, modern equipment, and the element of surprise. London will be bombed again. Tons of explosives will be dropped on English towns. Merchant vessels will be sunk. But let us not forget that it takes more than such things to destroy a great nation, when it is not taken by surprise, or betrayed by enemies in its own midst.

WE WILL WIN WAR

There can be no doubt about it—we will win the war. It won't be a victory without tears, and sacrifices, and hardships. But it will be a profitable one if it serves only these purposes—that of bringing closer together the free nations of the world and creating in democratic countries a new realization of individual responsibility, a new spirit of unselfishness and of real Christian charity.

America is now directly threatened by Hitler's dream of conquest. It is a source of pride for all those who cherish Democracy to realize the spirit of co-operation which now unifies the peoples of this continent. Canada is part of the British Commonwealth by her statutes, her alleg-

iance, her moral bonds, her political past—but she is also part of the great federation of American Democracies. The friendly agreement made between our Prime Minister and the President of the United States at Ogdensburg, on August 17th, 1940, and the creation of a permanent joint board of defence for the safety of our two peoples represent the first steps towards a more intimate co-operation with our powerful neighbors.

The relationship between Canada and the United States is based, more than ever today, on the golden rule—and so should it well be—for we are both Democracies and this golden rule should be applied wherever and whenever there is any concern for the basic principles of the rights of men.

Canada and the allied Democracies will emerge from this gigantic struggle, all the stronger for having understood and overcome the errors of the past. Thus we will give the world the right kind of new order it needs. To accomplish this, let us put into practice the advice of a great philosopher to his students: "To act as men of thought and think as men of action."

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in the Motherland for Nazi Germany enjoys a long head start. In every branch of military preparedness and striking power they are superior to us. We can only regain the lost ground through concerted effort, work and relentless determination.

The average Britisher appreciates the material and moral support that has been extended to the British Empire by the United States. But he feels—and rightly—that Americans have just as much at stake as Britain in this struggle. Therefore, he wonders why the United States has not faced the facts plainly and acknowledged this to be true. The majority of Britons believe firmly that the United States must come into this war. Not to save Britain from defeat (they have no illusions about that) but to safeguard American future and American subjects from enslavement.

BRITAIN MANS FRONT LINE

Meanwhile Britain heroically mans the front line of civilization buoyed up by the hope that a constant stream of vital supplies and skilled personnel will soon be crossing the Atlantic to provide her with those essentials which will aid her to ultimate victory. But Britain has no illusions about this either. She knows she faces the reality of new, increasing violent attacks upon her lifeline in the north Atlantic. Enemy submarines, surface raiders and long-range bombers are being sent out in strength to harass her sea-borne commerce. Food for Britain, raw materials, airplanes, ships and all the other riches pledged to her by the United States and Canada now have to face ever increasing dangers. No one in the British Isles underestimates this fact. But all are confident that the British Navy will, in the end, prove equal to the challenge.

So far with a single exception, the people of Britain, have been able to meet the threat of Germany. Our airmen have inflicted crushing defeats on the German air force in daylight raids on the British Isles. The guns of Dover have matched the German guns across the Channel, shot for shot. But there is one threat they have not been able to meet effectively. That is the night raider. But this problem is just as serious for Germany as it is for us. Whoever first solves it and prevents the secret from falling into the hands of the enemy will have gone a

long way towards winning the war.

RAIDS ARE DAMAGING

There is no sense underestimating the results of these mass attacks and indiscriminate bombings by Nazi night raiders. Britain has suffered very severe material damage and a considerable loss of life. In such ruthless and concentrated attacks it is inevitable that vital targets should have been hit and that the production of war materials should have suffered. I do not wish to imply that Britain is being beaten to her knees by those hammer blows. But it would be folly for us to minimize their significance. It would be well for Canadian industry and Canadian labor to contemplate this fact before it is too late.

One thing the Germans have not done. They have not even begun to destroy the morale of the British people. I have lived for months in the midst of this reign of terror and ghastly destruction of life and property. I can tell you honestly that the fighting spirit of the British people is stronger today than ever before and that their courage is sound to the core. The people of Britain have resigned themselves to a war of long duration with all its unpredictable hardships, untold suffering and discouraging setbacks. But I have yet to meet a person in the United Kingdom who does not believe firmly that Britain will win.

Yet, all this fine spirit, this indomitable courage of the British people will not avail them unless the aid so urgently needed is given to them in this their hour of unprecedented trial. I tell you frankly that unless this aid is given now, fully and liberally, there is a very real danger that the war may end in a stalemate. I need not tell you what that would mean—postponement of the struggle to be fought out a little later on with even greater violence and frightfulness; a further era of feverish and expensive rearmament; the menace of economic bankruptcy for the Axis and the Empire. And probably, in the end, we would see "Uncle" Joe Stalin perched securely on the European throne and wielding the sceptre of communistic dictatorship.

VICTORY OR NOTHING

It is your duty and mine—the duty of all of us to see to it that there is no possibility of a stale-

mate. It must be victory or nothing and if we sincerely want victory we must be ready to work for it, fight for it and pay for it to the very limits of our human and material resources. If you had seen London as I have seen it, bruised and battered, with dead and dying in its streets, you would be prepared to work and to fight and to pay so that this evil thing which has caused this suffering and sorrow would be destroyed forever.

This is a fight to a finish. It is and can be no other kind of a fight. There is no referee in the ring and it's no time to talk of Queensbury rules. There are among us, over there and here, high minded people who believe that chivalry, honor and fair play, should prevail. Not so long ago I recall hearing a minister of the church say, "Let us keep our escutcheon clean. If we sink to the level of the enemy we shall not be able to use the language of Christian morality when the time comes to discuss the terms of peace." When that time comes, as now, we will still be dealing with a people—the Germans—who know no honor in war and who interpret chivalry and fair play as signs of weakness and inferiority.

Against such an inhuman enemy can we in justice to our Empire and our loved ones continue to pursue the policy of turning the other cheek? Out of my bitter experience, I say to you that I think not. In the face of such ordeals and tragedies as Britons are experiencing today such an attitude must be regarded as nothing short of stupid, reckless martyrdom. As long as we adhere to it, just so long, will we allow the initiative to remain in the hands of our foes and permit them to continue the methods of the marauding gangster and vicious killer. In total warfare as I have seen it, it would be folly to sit back bravely while an unprincipled people seeks to destroy everything that is worth anything to us. We have no other duty and no other course except to marshal the full power of our strength and strike back with all we've got. That is the only kind of language the Germans understand or respect. And when the time comes to settle the terms of peace we must not lose that peace as we did against the same foe after the first Great War. Then we were all too prone to forgive and to forget. This time we must not forgive. This time we must not forget.

CANADIANS ARE ADMIRER

From the time the first Canadians arrived in the British Isles more than a year ago until I left I was the Canadian Press war correspondent and I was attached to our overseas forces. I made five trips to that mystic port we have come to know as "Somewhere in Britain" to greet incoming contingents of our troops. I would like you to know—and the feeling is shared by the British people—that I have never seen a more enthusiastic, eager, finer body of men. One instinctively felt that every man-jack of them would bring honor to himself and to his country when the call comes for the real test. From the time that the advance guard of the First Division arrived on the other side just over a year ago, I shared their joys and hardships in camp billet, under canvas, in the open . . . watched them pass through the hard school of training . . . on the parade ground, ranges, out-on-field manoeuvres and have seen them emerge as hardy, well-disciplined troops who today rank among the most proficient and best-equipped in the United Kingdom.

When the Canadians arrived, it was generally believed they would be fighting by the side of their British comrades on the continent within a few months. But the collapse of the allied cause in France and Belgium changed all that.

Following the tragic disorganization of Britain's heroic expeditionary force, the First Canadian Division became one of the mainstays of the Motherland's defence. Almost everybody was positive Hitler would follow up his con-

tinental successes with a lightning invasion of Britain . . . Canadians moved into positions of readiness behind hastily-erected barricades and strong points ready to meet the blow. So high was their morale and the enthusiasm of our lads, who were fully aware of the gravity of the tasks imposed on them that they boasted they could hold at bay whatever force Hitler might elect to send against them.

But you know as well as I what has happened since then. Those same grand lads are still manning the Empire's front line, not only confident of being able to repel an invasion should it ever be attempted, but all set to launch an offensive of their own when the command is given.

WAITING IS TRIAL

Yet it has been this eternal waiting for something to happen that has proved such a trial to our boys. Three times selected units of the Canadian forces have actually moved off for battle . . . first, the dash to Dover last May from whence it had been proposed to dispatch our men on a relief foray to Calais and Dunkirk . . . then the stillborn expedition to Norway and, finally, the ill-fated incursion into France. Each time they returned dejected and disappointed to the same training areas.

Had it not been for the intelligence and efficient leadership of the officers who commanded units that did arrive in France, many Canadian homes today would be mourning loved ones. Instead, they're hale and hearty . . . true, they are miles away from home and probably giving vent to a bit of grumbling now and then . . . but, nevertheless, alive.

However, a good soldier never

gives thought to death—and all our boys are good soldiers. Today they are more anxious than ever to come to grips with the foe.

They are willing to tackle any assignment or go anywhere so long as they get action. For they realize that until they have attended to Hitler and his crowd once and for all, there is small prospect of getting back home . . . to the life of peace and contentment they would naturally much prefer.

In these circumstances it is inevitable there should be a certain undercurrent of boredom. Our leaders, however, are fully aware of this danger and have already taken steps to deal with it. But we over here also can do much to stimulate and cheer our boys over there. Write them often, send them parcels, papers and magazines, encourage them and help to keep them happy.

These Canadian soldiers, sailors and airmen have earned a fine reputation for themselves in the British Isles. They are liked by the British people and the British people have confidence in them. By their actions and by their words from the corps commander down to the man in the ranks they have inspired belief not only in themselves but in this country. These men of ours have made the people of the Old Country sure of their faith in Canada. In the faith that Canada, her factories safe from enemy bombs, is becoming the arsenal of the Empire. In the faith that Canada, willingly, is pouring forth her treasures of the earth and of the factory and of the home in the defence of the Empire. This faith these men of ours have given them. We must not let them down.

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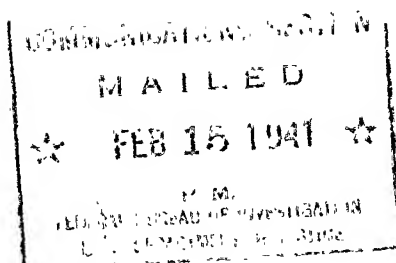
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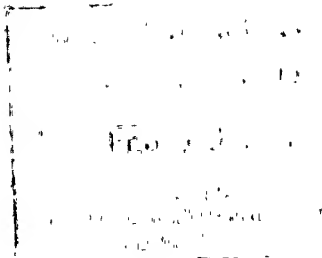
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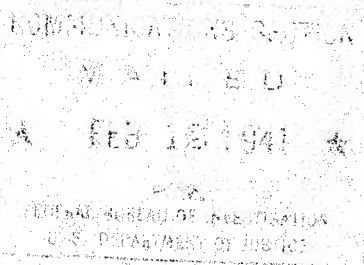
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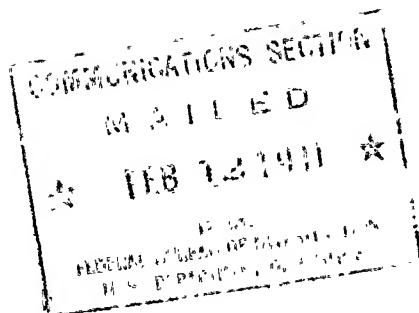
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PITTSBURGH, PA.

January 25th, 1941

Federal Bureau of Investigation,
United States Dept. of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

Attention of
Mr. J. Edgar Hoover,
Director

Dear Mr. Hoover:

Thank you for your letter of January 17th giving us the opportunity to submit to you additional catalogs showing rubber stamp sets, etc.

In your letter you indicate that you have copies of our catalogs 128 and 144 and while 128 is now obsolete, 144 is our latest publication on this subject and we suggest that you use it.

If additional copies of this can be used by your bureau to advantage, we shall be delighted to supply them.

Very truly yours,

JAS. H. MATTHEWS & CO.

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Mr. J. T. Marks
The C. K. Hanson Company
303 West Erie Street
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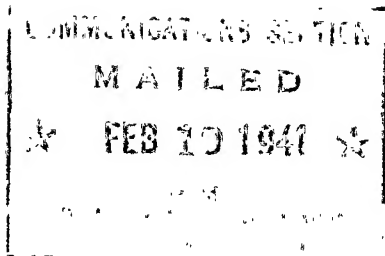
Dear Mr. Marks:

Reference is made to your letter of January 17, 1941 in which were listed the replacements and the changes made in your catalog #90 which is your latest catalog.

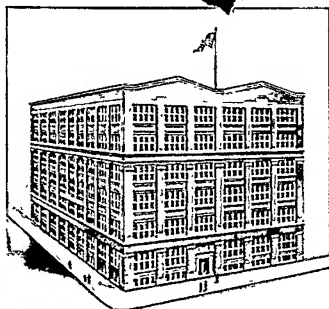
Assuring you of my appreciation for your cooperation in this matter, I am

Sincerely yours,

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January 17th, 1941

Federal Bureau of Investigation,
United States Department of Justice,
Washington D.C.

Attention of - John Edgar Hoover, Director.

Sirs:

Referring to your letter of January 15th, concerning our catalogs, we inform you that Catalog No. 90 is our last issue and we have not printed another since, although we have discontinued some lines, replacing these with others as enumerated below --

Page 2- Model Hand Band Daters. Replaced by
The Albany Dater, per Folder #S-5214.

Page 2- Superior Solid Type Band Dater. Replaced by
The Empire Dater, per Folder #S-5214.

Page 8- Hand Line Band Daters. Replaced by
Pullman Dating Stamps, per Folder #S-5214.

Page 8- Hand Band Numberers. Replaced by Pullman
Numbering Stamps, per Folder #S-5214.

Page 9- Royal Velvet Stamp Pad. No replacement,
(discontinued entirely)

Page 10- Cooke's Rotary Time Stamps.
See latest Folder S#5236.

Page 10- National Automatic Time Stamps.
Replaced by The Dorson Jr. Time Stamp, per Folder S#512

Page 12- Swiftset Rubber Type added, per Folder #S-5208.

Page 15- See Form No. 3132A for complete line of
Embossing Seals.

This just about covers replacements and changes, and should
put your copy of Catalog No. 90 up to date.

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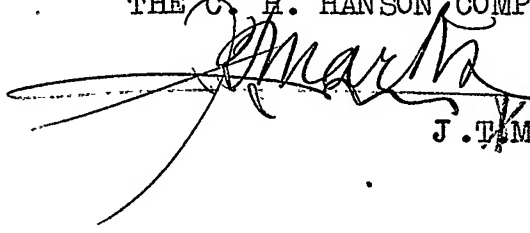
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J.Edgar Hoover #2

Please be assured that we are always glad to co-operate
so should a matter come up that concerns this industry
please do not hesitate to write us.

Yours very truly,
THE C. H. HANSON COMPANY

A large, stylized handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "J. T. Marks", is written over the typed name and extends across the center of the page.

J. T. Marks

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Equal minor
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February 15, 1941

80-613-90

Mr. J. R. Swift
President
The Superior Type Company
1800 West Larchmont Avenue
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Mr. Swift:

Reference is made to your letter of January 23, 1941 in which you stated that the catalogs which this Bureau now has in its possession are of your latest editions but that within a few weeks a number of new pages for your wholesale catalog will be sent to the Bureau for insertion in our present binder.

This Bureau will be pleased to receive these new pages for your wholesale catalog and at this time I wish to express my appreciation for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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CHICAGO

January 23, 1941

Mr. John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Hoover:

I believe that the catalog layout which you describe constitutes pretty fairly representative coverage of our stock items. Within a few weeks now we will issue a number of new pages for our wholesale catalog, which we will send you for insertion in your present binder. There will be some new items in these.

As stated to you in our letter of February 12, 1940, our lines ramify under so many descriptions that it is difficult for us to catalog them. There are periods when seventy-five per cent of the orders which we receive cover items which are made specially to the needs of business and industry.

If you have some particular requirement in mind, or if there is any way in which we could be of service to you, please feel free to call upon us. If you would have some representative from your Chicago office come up here on any question of special marking inks, rubber type, rubber dies, or implements to be used in connection with either of the above, we would be glad to work with him on any requirements.

As stated to you before, you might find occasion on which we could aid you in our laboratory in identifying inks or implements which have been used in cases which come before your department. We will be most delighted to to said you in any of this work at any time without charge.

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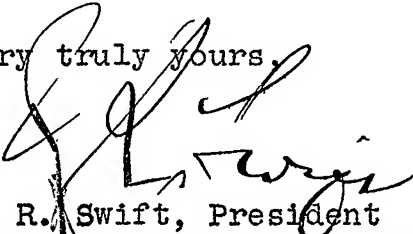
Mr. John Edgar Hoover:

January 23, 1941

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We here have a very high regard for the work which you and your department are doing, and you may rest assured that we desire to cooperate with you in any way possible.

Very truly yours,



J. R. Swift, President
THE SUPERIOR TYPE COMPANY

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Encl. Marking Problems in Defense Preparedness

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SERVICE BULLETIN

MARKING PROBLEMS IN DEFENSE PREPAREDNESS

WATCHWORD The watchword of our country's preparedness program is "Action"—prompt and sure action! Now, as America writes the story of defense, every agency will first fall back upon sure ground in order to avoid mistakes and delays. Then with a firm start, every means available to the promotion of speed, increased efficiencies, increased understandings, and the prevention of errors will be utilized.

NEW WAYS And new ways must be devised—new inventions, new processes, and new methods. Only the newest and most effective devices are considered adequate in "all out" measures for defense and these new ways will bring new and more exacting needs for marking.

MARKING AN ESSENTIAL SERVICE Marking is one of the most important services in the conduct of normal business and industry, and now it has assumed new and higher importance in all branches of Defense Preparation. Just as *Original Markings* upon products and containers show trade marks, brands, serial numbers, and the like; *Subsequent Markings* upon labels and containers show colors, quantities, style, and grades; and *Superposed Markings* upon letters, business and accounting forms, and documents show performance, give instructions and cautions, and give direction to paper motions, and have to do with the progress of finished product, its transportation and service, so the transportation, storing, distribution, and processing of raw materials require markings which are essential to the fabrication of the final product.

MARKING DEFINED It is difficult to define the group of markings which come within the purview of this discussion, because there is such an infinite variety of surfaces to be marked and so many variations of conditions under which marking must occur and endure.

We now mark to establish and prove ownership; to deliver and transport; to give instructions and cautions; to date, time, inspect, test, and receive; to classify, number, and assemble; to weigh, count, and evaluate; to sign, seal, note, cancel, and acknowledge; to organize and facilitate work; to decrease error and to point the finger of responsibility to the source of error when it occurs.

SURFACES ANALYZED In analyzing a marking problem, it is necessary to consider—Surface

to be Marked—smooth, rough—hard, medium, soft—absorbent, semi-absorbent, non-absorbent—glossy, dull—transparent, opaque—hot, cold—flat, concave, convex, irregular—large, small—coated, plain. Also, it may be necessary to consider the possibility of the presence of chemicals in the surface which may affect the marking ink injuriously.

MAKING THE MARK Conditions under which the Mark will be made may include implements or machines which are hand or power operated. Implements or machines may be portable, stationary—continuous, infrequent—high, medium, or slow speed—skilled or unskilled operator—while moving and under stable or unstable conditions—indoors, out of doors, climatic difficulties—operator careful, careless—position convenient, awkward.

KIND OF MARK The character of the mark itself may be, if required—permanent, transient—indelible or washable—decorative, neat, and of any color, or simple and strictly utilitarian, or it may be prominent or unobtrusive. Further, the mark, if so required, may endure through exposures to sun, rain, intense heat or cold, contraction or expansion of the marked surface, or may endure through actual wear or abrasion.

SOLUTION OF PROBLEM From the foregoing discussion it is evident then that "After Markings" involve many problems of surface, implement, marking ink, and method of application. While great progress has been made toward standardized products, it is unlikely that marking needs can ever become so stabilized that any single group of products will cover a very wide range of needs. Specific gravity, viscosity, solubility, opacity, penetration, drying speeds and durability may have to be determined with the utmost accuracy. Elements which might be injurious in some applications of inks may either have to be corrected or eliminated. Warnings may be needed in many cases and full instructions given in order to secure best results.

How necessary then, it is to have access to a scientifically trained organization, familiar through long years of experience, with the world's marking problems, and to take full advantage of their knowledge and laboratory facilities in covering new and special needs.

The Superior Type Company, the world's largest from the point of volume and variety of marking inks and implements, places exceptional experience and facilities at the disposal of all requirements in meeting this great defense emergency.

A Few Suggested Means of

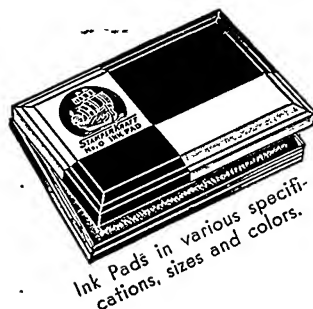
The MARK Is the Thing and the
INK Is the MARK

The kind of surface to be marked and the kind of mark make the INK a problem of primary importance.

In addition to a comprehensive line of stock inks, many special inks for special purposes are available. A number of these formulae were prepared to meet government specifications.



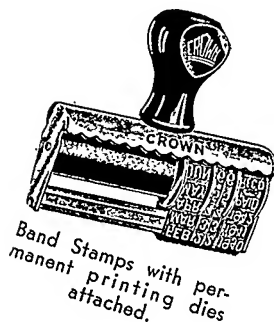
Stock Line Band Stamps
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Ink Pads in various specifications, sizes and colors.



Self-Inking
Stamps with or
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Band Stamps with per-
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Rubber Stamps
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Permanent impres-
sions—easy to wash
off hands.



Stencils in sizes from 1/2" to 6" letters.

Name of Ink	Alba	Angels	Bison	Certico	Echo	Echo-Postal	Echo	General	Grapho	Hecto-Pad	Hecto-Pen	Lustro
Copying												
Penetrative	1	2	3	2	2	2		2	1	1		
Quick Drying	1	2	3	2	2	3		2	1	1	3	3
Water-Proof		3	1	3	3	3		3	1			3
Sun-Proof	3	3	1	3	3	3		3	2	1	1	3
Process Proof		1										
Inelible		3	1						1	1	1	2
Non Poisonous			3									
Dries	1	2	2				2		*	1	*	*
Cakes	2	1							*		*	*
Rubber Dies	G	G	G	*	*	*	G	G	*	G	*	*
metal Dies	F	G	G	G	G	G	*	*	*	r	*	*
Brush	P	F	G	P	P	P	*	P	*	*	G	P
Stencil Brush	P	F	F	P	P	P	*	P	*	*	P	G
Fountain Brush	*	P	P	F	F	F	*	F	*	*	P	*
Air Brush	P	P	P	P	P	P	*	P	*	*	F	*
Pen	*	F	P	*	*	*	*	G	*	*	G	*
Numbering Machine	*	P	P	F	G	F	*	*	*	*	*	*

Recommended Inks for One

Aluminum—Nestor, Trojan, Triune, Spartan
Artificial Fibres—Flash-Dry Spartan, Triune, General
Asbestos—Titan, Viking, Flash-Dry, General, Spartan, Triune
Bakelite—Spartan, Nestor, Trojan
Beer Barrels—Nestor, Trojan, Lustro
Blotters—General, Titan
Blueprints—Spartan, Triune, Flash-Dry
Bottles—Phantom, Triune, Spartan, Nestor
Boxboard—Titan, Viking, Flash-Dry, General, Spartan
Brass—Spartan, Triune
Brick—Spartan, Lustro, Pegasus
Bristol Board—General, Flash-Dry, Orion, Titan, Viking
Burlap—General, Flash-Dry, Spartan, Titan, Lustro, Mitto, Pegasus
Butter Boxes and Tubs—Nestor
Cans—Trojan, Triune, Spartan
Crating—General, Titan, Mitto, Lu
Dark Metals—Spartan
Dark Fabrics and rora
Drafting Paper—Spartan
Duck—Ravenswood
Dry, General, A
Duco Enamel—Spartan, Trojan, Fla
Eggs—Bison, Tita
Enameled Surface—Nestor, Trojan, i
Fabrics—To be l
wood, Spartan,
dry cleaned—Ti
to wash out—Au
Felt—Flash-Dry, Triune
Fiber Stocks—Fla
ing, General, Sp
Food Cartons—Ne

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SOME EXAMPLES OF THE MARKING REQUIREMENTS OF DEFENSE PREPAREDNESS

Gas Masks—insignia and coding stamped on with an indelible, weatherproof ink.

Oil Cans—identifying marks required that would not be injured by oil.

Signal Flares—stamped with a weatherproof ink made to government specifications.

Ammunition—coding marks stamped with a special ink.

Tracing Cloth—title blocks, symbol blocks, and view captions stamped on with special ink for blue printing.

Wood and Metal Camp Properties—stamped or stenciled with a special weatherproof ink.

Waterproof Coverings—tentings, tarpaulins, bed-covers, duffle bags, canvas bags, case covers, knapsacks, wagon covers marked with a weatherproof and indelible ink.

Airplane Metal Parts—inspection marks stamped on with a special permanent metal etching ink.

Food Packages—barrels, kegs, boxes, crates, cans, jars, bottles, cartons, and paper packages marked for many purposes—including inspection stamp.

Metal Sheeting—stamped with coding marks that are temporary and later may be removed.

Office Records—letters, business and accounting forms, documents stamped to show performance, give instructions, cautions, etc., marked with penetrative erasure-proof ink.

Clothing and Equipment Records—issuance forms marked by means of special rubber type, logotypes, and dies in hand operated press, using non-smearing permanent ink.

Shipping Cases—stenciled or stamped with shipping information, contents, description, etc.

Photographic Negatives—permanently stamped with either black or silver ink.

Glass Instruments—permanently marked with special glass etching ink.

Plastics—coding and identification marks stamped permanently or temporarily.

Leather Equipment—marked to show ownership, size, origin, grade, etc.

Parachute Silk—Inspection marks stamped with special ink made up to government requirements.

Shells—special self-inkers designed for printing around the circumference of shells—using ink which can later be removed without leaving trace.

Organizing and time-saving methods throughout the Defense Preparedness program call for rubber stamp inks, ink pads, rubber stamps, date sets, movable rubber type, etc.

Every construction job, enlistment office, training station, military camp, as well as all production plants manufacturing defense products have need for these implements and inks.

Implements with rubber printing faces—hand or power operated—are indispensable Marking Devices. These are provided in unlimited descriptions according to purpose and method of use.

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Mitro	Neptune	Nestor	Orion	Pegasus	Phantom	Ravenswood	Signo	Spartan	Titan	Triune	Trojan	Viking
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*	G	G	G	*	G	G	G	F	G	G	G	G
P	P	G	F	*	G	P	P	P	P	P	P	F
G	F	F	*	P	P	F	*	P	*	P	P	*
G	P	P	*	G	*	F	*	G	*	P	P	*
G	P	P	*	*	*	P	*	*	*	F	F	*
F	F	F	*	*	*	P	*	P	*	P	P	*
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Key to Marks on Chart

(Blank) = Absence
 (1) = Trace
 (2) = Definite
 (3) = Pronounced
 (*) = Not used
 (G) = Good
 (F) = Fair
 (P) = Possible in special cases.

To determine the best ink for any special marking need, see list below for inks recommended for the surface to be marked; then refer to chart for special properties and type of marking device for each of the recommended inks, and select the one best suited to your needs.

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"Rubber is an ideal medium for the laying on of ink." It requires no tedious or expensive make-ready. Its resilient face will print clearly on rough and uneven surfaces or upon hard or brittle materials.

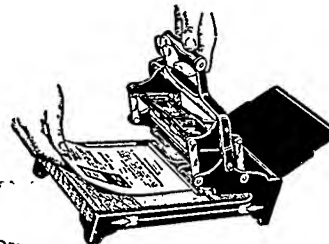
Movable Rubber Type and the Rubber Die have long been the "last word" for the printing needs of the inexperienced person.



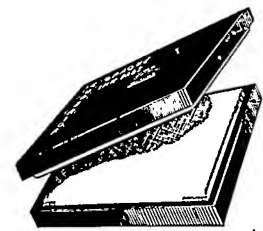
"Vari-Line" Rubber Type printing system. Variable as to line spacing, arrangement, and sizes of type.



Die Plate Rubber Stamps with removable date slugs or with band assemblies. Available in many sizes.



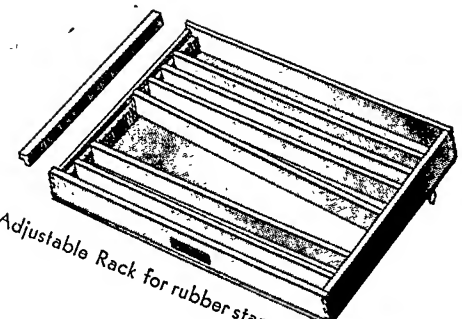
Commercial Press for rapid and accurate hand printing with rubber type and dies.



Ink Pads for every special purpose stock pads, not covered by.



Cooke Rotary Time Stamps, Daters, and Word Printers.

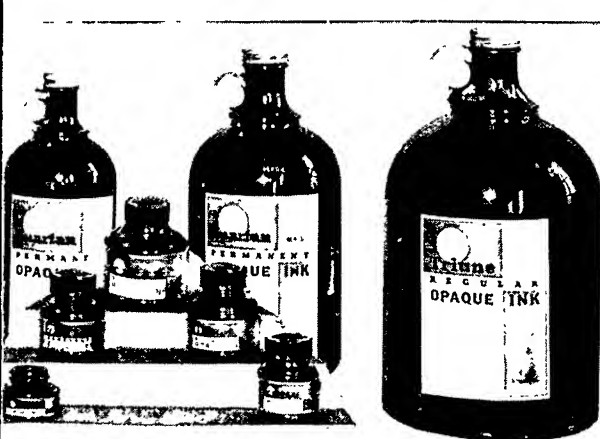


Adjustable Rack for rubber stamp systems.

Hundred Different Materials

Flash-Dry, Spartan, Metals—Triune, Spartan, Nestor, Trojan
 Lusto, Pegasus
 Paper—Alba, Au- Muslin—General (non-bleeding); Ravenswood (Indelible); Aurora (to wash out)
 Flash-Dry, Titan, News Stock—Titan, Viking, Flash-Dry, General
 Lusto, Spartan, Flash-Dry, Nuts—Titan, Viking, Flash-Dry
 Aurora, Oil Drums—Triune, Spartan
 Spartan, Triune Nes- Oilcloth—Spartan, Triune
 Flash-Dry, Oiled Papers—Nestor, Trojan, Spartan
 Lusto, Painted Materials—Flash-Dry, Triune, Spartan, Nestor, Trojan
 Paper—Titan, Viking, Flash-Dry, General
 Lusto, Photo Albums—Alba, Spartan
 Lusto, Flash-Dry. To be Plaster Board—Superior "All Weather"
 Lusto, Lumber Marking, General, Titan, Viking, Echo, Lusto
 Lusto, Spartan, General, Pliofilm—Trojan, Nestor
 Lusto, Pressdwood—Spartan
 Lusto, Rubber—Nestor, Spartan, Triune, Trojan
 Lusto, Trojan

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January 17, 1941

Mr. A. J. Smith
Johnson, Smith and Company
6615 East Jefferson Avenue
Detroit, Michigan

Dear Mr. Smith:

The Bureau would be pleased to receive the latest catalogs which you have for distribution concerning rubber stamp sets, date sets, and line date bank stamps. If you have varied and different catalogs concerning these, it would be appreciated if you would furnish the Bureau with a copy of each.

At the present time I have a catalog of your company numbered 145.

Assuring you of my appreciation for
your cooperation in this matter, I am

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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January 17, 1941

James H. Matthews and Company
3942 Forbes Street
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Gentlemen:

The Bureau would be pleased to receive the latest catalogs which you have for distribution concerning rubber stamp sets, date sets, and line date bank stamps. If you have varied and different catalogs concerning these, it would be appreciated if you would furnish the Bureau with a copy of each.

At the present time I have two catalogs of your company numbered 123 and 144.

Assuring you of my appreciation for your cooperation in this matter, I am

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
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January 17, 1941

Mr. J. R. Swift
Superior Type Company
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Mr. Swift:

The Bureau would be pleased to receive the latest catalogs which you have for distribution concerning rubber stamp sets, date sets, and line date bank stamps. If you have varied and different catalogs concerning these, it would be appreciated if you would furnish the Bureau with a copy of each.

At the present time I have catalogs #103, #41 and also a catalog labeled "Wholesale Catalog and Price Bulletin".

Assuring you of my appreciation for your cooperation in this matter, I am

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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February 6, 1941

Mr. T. Rueffer
Maple Stamp Works, Incorporated
162 North Franklin Street
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Mr. Rueffer:

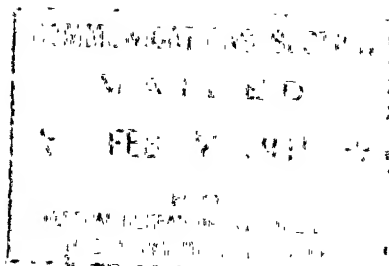
Reference is made to your letter of January 17, 1941 in which you state that the Bureau is in possession of your latest catalog but that a copy of your new catalog which will be ready for distribution within the next sixty days will be sent to the Bureau.

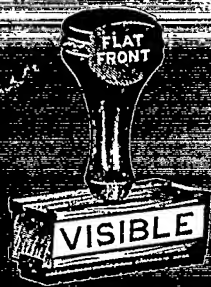
The Bureau has in its possession your catalog of June, 1939 but would be pleased to receive your latest catalog when it is ready for distribution.

Assuring you of my appreciation for your co-operation in this matter, I am

Sincerely yours,

Mr. Tolson _____
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TELEPHONE
DEARBORN 2971
DEARBORN 2972

EAGLE STAMP WORKS INC.
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

162 NORTH
FRANKLIN ST.

January 17, 1941

MR. J. EDGAR HOOVER, DIRECTOR
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE
WASHINGTON, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

We acknowledge with thanks receipt of your letter dated January 15 and desire to advise that our latest catalog is our June 1939 issue which you have on file, as mentioned in your letter. We expect to have a new catalog completed with the next sixty days time and as soon as same is ready for distribution a copy will be sent to you for your files.

If you wish to have us send one of our June 1939 issues to you we will be more than pleased to do so immediately upon receipt of your request.

Remaining, we are

Very truly yours,

EAGLE STAMP WORKS, INC.

W. Rueffer
W. Rueffer

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U. S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE
CHIEF OF BUREAU

RCF:MJ

January 17, 1941

Irvine-Rodden Company
15th to 16th Street at Olisan
Portland, Oregon

Gentlemen:

The Bureau would be pleased to receive the latest catalogs which you have for distribution concerning rubber stamp sets, date sets, and line date bank stamps. If you have varied and different catalogs concerning these, it would be appreciated if you would furnish the Bureau with a copy of each.

At the present time I have two catalogs of your company: #616 and #763.

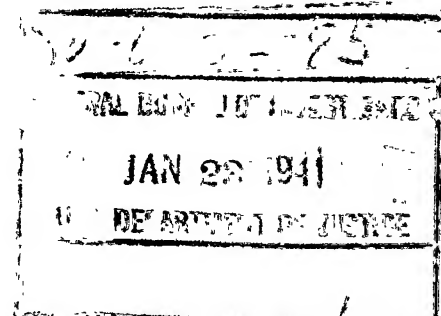
Assuring you of my appreciation for your cooperation in this matter, I am

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. Clegg _____
Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
Mr. Foxworth _____
Mr. Nathan _____
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January 17, 1941

William Baumgarten and Company,
Incorporated
Baltimore, Maryland

Gentlemen:

The Bureau would be pleased to receive the latest catalogs which you have for distribution concerning rubber stamp sets, date sets, and line date bank stamps. If you have varied and different catalogs concerning these, it would be appreciated if you would furnish the Bureau with a copy of each.

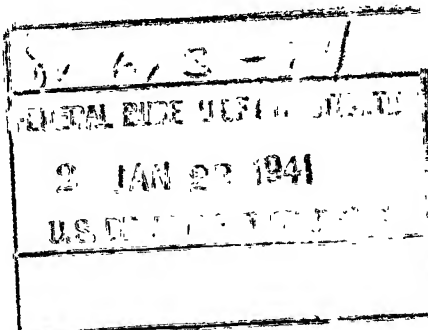
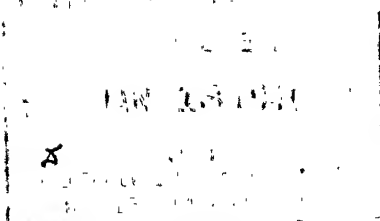
At the present time I have catalogs of your company numbered 20 and 30.

Assuring you of my appreciation for your cooperation in this matter, I am

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. Clegg _____
Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
Mr. Foxworth _____
Mr. Nathan _____
Mr. Ladd _____
Mr. Egan _____
Mr. Glavin _____
Mr. Nichols _____
Mr. Hendon _____
Mr. Rosen _____
Mr. Tracy _____
Miss Gandy _____



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January 17, 1941

Mr. Robert Pannier
Pannier Brothers Stamp Company
207 Sandusky Street
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. Pannier:

The Bureau would be pleased to receive the latest catalogs which you have for distribution concerning rubber stamp sets, date sets, and line date bank stamps. If you have varied and different catalogs concerning these, it would be appreciated if you would furnish the Bureau with a copy of each.

At the present time I have three catalogs of your company #60, #61 and #62.

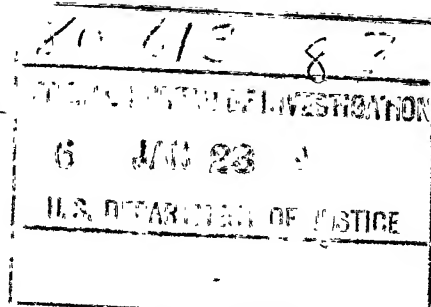
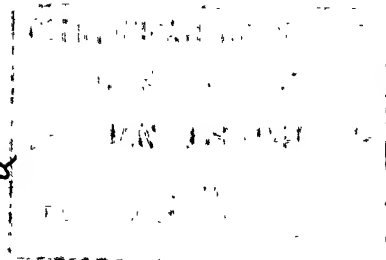
Assuring you of my appreciation for your cooperation in this matter, I am

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. Clegg _____
Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
Mr. Foxworth _____
Mr. Nathan _____
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Mr. Nichols _____
Mr. Hendon _____
Mr. Rosen _____
Mr. Tracy _____
Miss Gandy _____



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January 17, 1941

G. A. Pickup and Son
Nashville, Tennessee

Gentlemen:

The Bureau would be pleased to receive the latest catalogs which you have for distribution concerning rubber stamp sets, date sets, and line date bank stamps. If you have varied and different catalogs concerning these, it would be appreciated if you would furnish the Bureau with a copy of each.

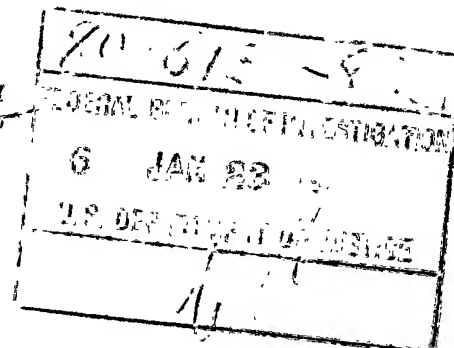
At the present time I have a catalog of your company for the year 1940.

Assuring you of my appreciation for your cooperation in this matter, I am

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. Clegg _____
Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
Mr. Foxworth _____
Mr. Nathan _____
Mr. Ladd _____
Mr. Egan _____
Mr. Glavin _____
Mr. Nichols _____
Mr. Hendon _____
Mr. Rosen _____
Mr. Tracy _____
Miss Gandy _____



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January 15, 1941

Mr. W. Rueffer
Eagle Stamp Works
162 North Franklin Street
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Mr. Rueffer:

The Bureau would be pleased to receive the latest catalogs which you have for distribution concerning rubber stamp sets, date sets, and line date bank stamps. If you have varied and different catalogs concerning these, it would be appreciated if you would furnish the Bureau with a copy of each.

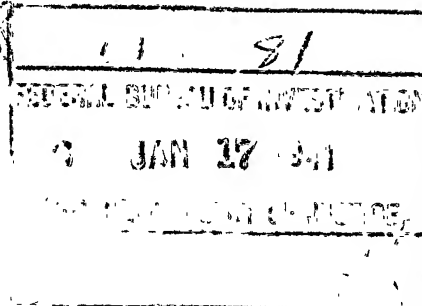
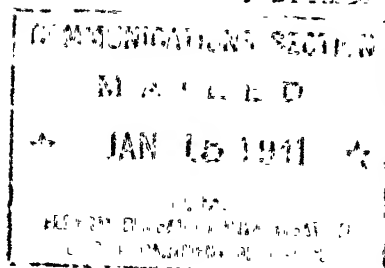
At the present time I have a catalog of your company for the year 1939.

Assuring you of my appreciation for your cooperation in this matter, I am

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. Clegg _____
Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
Mr. Foxworth _____
Mr. Nathan _____
Mr. Ladd _____
Mr. Egan _____
Mr. Glavin _____
Mr. Nichols _____
Mr. Hendon _____
Mr. Rosen _____
Mr. Tracy _____
Miss Gandy _____



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February 6, 1941

Mr. Charles M. Reed, Secretary
The J. P. M. Lorman Company, Incorporated
526-528 North Calvert Street
Baltimore, Maryland

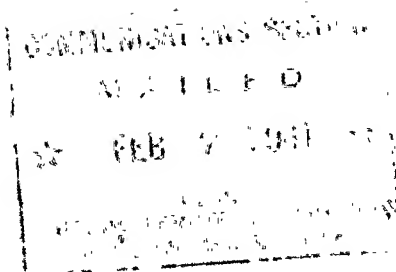
Dear Mr. Reed:

Reference is made to your letter of January 17, 1941 in which you state that your catalogs #80 and #90 are your latest catalogs.

I desire to express my gratitude for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely yours,

Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. Clegg _____
Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
Mr. Foxworth _____
Mr. Nathan _____
Mr. Ladd _____
Mr. Egan _____
Mr. Glavin _____
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The J.F.W. DORMAN COMPANY Inc.



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Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Attention of Mr. J. E. Hoover, Director

Dear Sir:

We have your inquiry dated January 15th and are very sorry to inform you that you have our latest catalogs. Our No. 90 was printed in July 1939 and our No. 80 was printed about six years ago.

We will be very pleased to answer any inquiries that you may send us and quote you our very best price.

Very truly yours,

THE J. F. W. DORMAN CO.

Charles M. Reed
CHARLES M. REED, PRES.

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February 7, 1941

Mr. Robert A. Pannier, Treasurer
Pannier Brothers Stamp Company,
Incorporated
207 - 209 Sandusky Street, N. S.
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

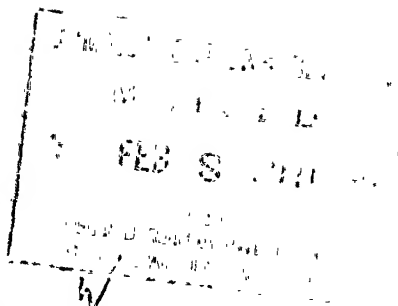
Dear Mr. Pannier:

Reference is made to your letter of January
21, 1941 in which you state that under separate cover
you are sending to the Bureau three catalogs.

These catalogs have been received and at
this time I wish to express my appreciation for your
cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely yours,

Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. Clegg _____
Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
Mr. Foxworth _____
Mr. Nathan _____
Mr. Ladd _____
Mr. Egan _____
Mr. Glavin _____
Mr. Nichols _____
Mr. Hendon _____
Mr. Rosen _____
Mr. Tracy _____
Miss Gandy _____



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O. M. PANNIER, PRESIDENT.
C. O. PANNIER, ASST. PRESIDENT.
G. W. PANNIER, ASST. VICE PRESIDENT.

W. J. PANNIER, JR. VICE PRESIDENT.

R. F. HERSHEY, SECY. TREAS.
RALPH A. PANNIER, ASST. SECY.
ROBERT A. PANNIER, ASST. TREAS.

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Manufacturers of Stamps

207-209 SANDUSKY STREET, N.S.

Pittsburgh, Pa.

January 21st
Our 42nd Year
1941

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STEEL STAMPS,
STEEL DIES,
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PRINTING DIES,
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TIME CHECKS,
METAL BADGES,
STENCILS,
RUBBER DIES,
RUBBER STAMPS,
SEALS,
METAL SHIPPING TAGS,
TAG ADDRESSER.

Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Attention: Mr. John Edgar Hoover
Director

Gentlemen:

Please refer to your letter of January 17, 1941 in regard to Rubber Stamp Catalogs. We have not made any recent editions, but there are a few of our other Catalogs in circulation which may prove useful to you.

Accordingly, under separate cover we are sending three Catalogs in which we believe you may be interested.

We are only too glad to cooperate with you in this matter. If additional information is required, please feel free to call on us at any time.

Yours truly,

PANNIER BROS. STAMP CO.

Robert A. Pannier
Robert A. Pannier, Treas.

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February 6, 1941

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Mr. A. A. Vitale, Manager
R. A. Stewart and Company, Incorporated
80 Duane Street
New York, New York

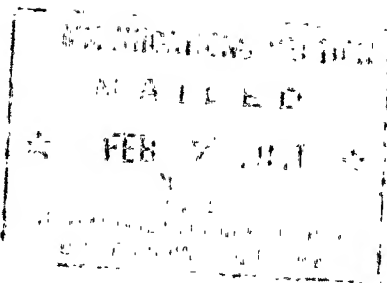
Dear Mr. Vitale:

Reference is made to your letter of January 17, 1941 in which you stated that you are forwarding to the Bureau a copy of your latest catalog, #937.

I wish to thank you for this catalog and for your continued cooperation.

Sincerely yours,

Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. Clegg _____
Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
Mr. Foxworth _____
Mr. Nathan _____
Mr. Ladd _____
Mr. Egan _____
Mr. Glavin _____
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R. A. STEWART & COMPANY, INC.

DISTRIBUTORS OF CROWN, TRIUMPH, SUPERIOR, HILCO, BEACON

80 DUANE STREET
NEW YORK, N. Y.

MODERN MARKING DEVICES

January 17, 1941.

Mr. John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

We acknowledge and thank you for your
letter dated January 15th.

The #93 catalogue is the latest catalogue
which illustrates complete stamps. We have another
catalogue, #93W, which is the same as the #93 except that
another part is added which includes equipment and supplies
for the manufacture of rubber stamps.

We do not know whether a #93W would be of any
use to you, but we are sending you one, under separate cover.

Sincerely yours,



A. R. Vitale, Manager.

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January 15, 1941

Mr. L. H. Tavernier
Fulton Specialty Company
200 Fifth Avenue
New York, New York

Dear Mr. Tavernier:

The Bureau would be pleased to receive the latest catalogs which you have for distribution concerning rubber stamp sets, date sets, and line date bank stamps. If you have varied and different catalogs concerning these, it would be appreciated if you would furnish the Bureau with a copy of each.

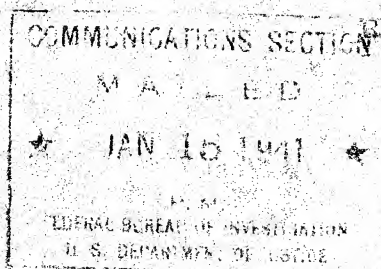
At the present time I have catalogs of your company numbered 40 and 41.

Assuring you of my appreciation for your cooperation in this matter, I am

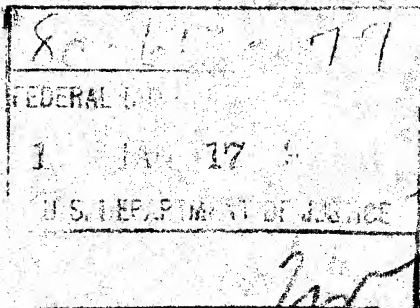
Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. Clegg _____
Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
Mr. Foxworth _____
Mr. Nathan _____
Mr. Ladd _____
Mr. Egan _____
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January 15, 1941

J. F. W. Dorman Company
526 North Calvert Street
Baltimore, Maryland

Gentlemen:

The Bureau would be pleased to receive the latest catalogs which you have for distribution concerning rubber stamp sets, date sets, and line date bank stamps. If you have varied and different catalogs concerning these, it would be appreciated if you would furnish the Bureau with a copy of each.

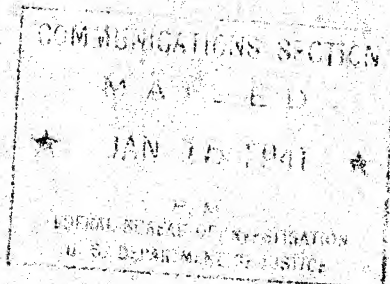
At the present time I have catalogs of your company numbered 80 and 90 and a catalog showing the title "Type Faces and Electrotypes for Rubber Stamps".

Assuring you of my appreciation for your cooperation in this matter, I am

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. Clegg _____
Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
Mr. Foxworth _____
Mr. Nathan _____
Mr. Ladd _____
Mr. Egan _____
Mr. Glavin _____
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H. J. [Signature]
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January 15, 1941

Mr. J. T. Marks
The C. H. Hanson Company
303 West Erie Street
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Mr. Marks:

The Bureau would be pleased to receive the latest catalogs which you have for distribution concerning rubber stamp sets, date sets, and line date bank stamps. If you have varied and different catalogs concerning these, it would be appreciated if you would furnish the Bureau with a copy of each.

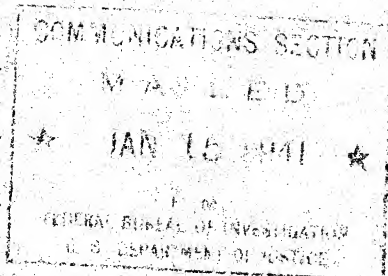
At the present time I have a catalog of your company numbered 90.

Assuring you of my appreciation for your cooperation in this matter, I am

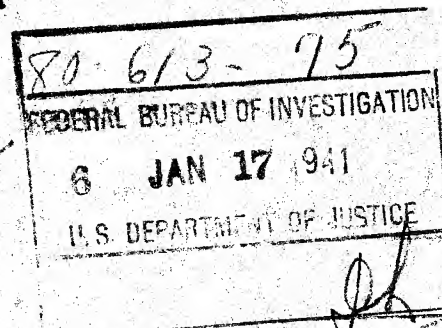
Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. Clegg _____
Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
Mr. Foxworth _____
Mr. Nathan _____
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January 15, 1941

Mr. A. R. Vitale
R. A. Stewart and Company, Incorporated
80 Duane Street
New York, New York

Dear Mr. Vitale:

The Bureau would be pleased to receive the latest catalogs which you have for distribution concerning rubber stamp sets, date pots, and line date bank stamps. If you have varied and different catalogs concerning these, it would be appreciated if you would furnish the Bureau with a copy of each.

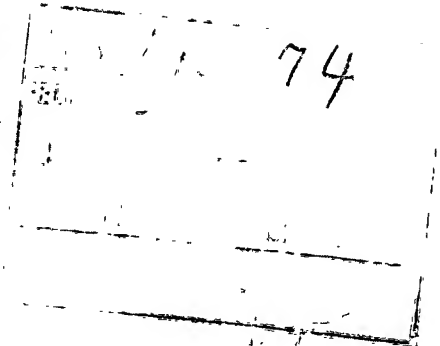
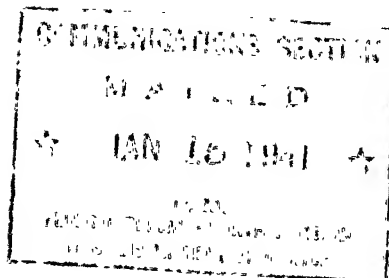
At the present time I have three catalogs of your company which show the numbers 68, 83 and 93 respectively.

Assuring you of my appreciation for your cooperation in this matter, I am

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. Clegg _____
Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
Mr. Foxworth _____
Mr. Nathan _____
Mr. Ladd _____
Mr. Egan _____
Mr. Glavin _____
Mr. Nichols _____
Mr. Hendon _____
Mr. Rosen _____
Mr. Tracy _____
Miss Gandy _____



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January 15, 1941

Consolidated Stamp Manufacturing Company
87 Maiden Lane
New York, New York

Gentlemen:

The Bureau would be pleased to receive the latest catalogs which you have for distribution concerning rubber stamp sets, date sets, and line date bank stamps. If you have varied and different catalogs concerning these, it would be appreciated if you would furnish the Bureau with a copy of each.

At the present time I have catalogs of your company numbered 70 and 85.

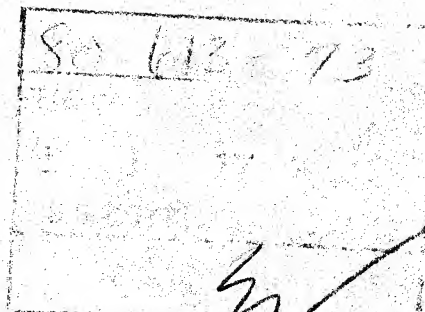
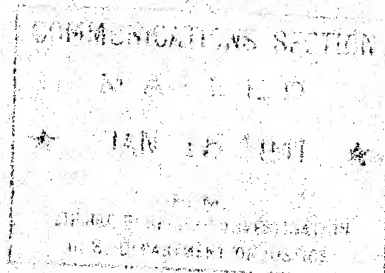
Assuring you of my appreciation for your cooperation in this matter, I am

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. Clegg _____
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Mr. Foxworth _____
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Mr. Ladd _____
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January 15, 1941

Mr. M. Leone
Louis Melind Company
362 West Chicago Avenue
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Mr. Leone:

The Bureau would be pleased to receive the latest catalogs which you have for distribution concerning rubber stamp sets, date sets, and line date bank stamps. If you have varied and different catalogs concerning these, it would be appreciated if you would furnish the Bureau with a copy of each.

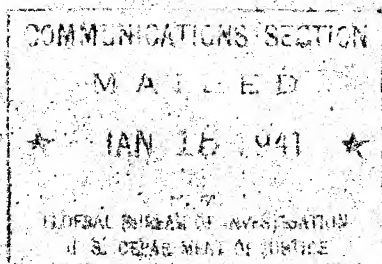
At the present time I have a catalog of your company for the year 1939 and also a catalog showing the number 101.

Assuring you of my appreciation for your cooperation in this matter, I am

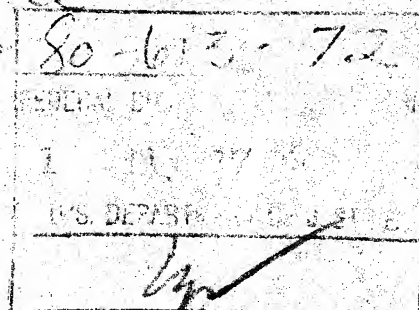
Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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Mr. Clegg _____
Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
Mr. Foxworth _____
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Mr. Glavin _____
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Mr. Tracy _____
Miss Gandy _____



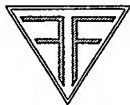
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FULTON SPECIALTY COMPANY

DRI-KWIK AND FULTON STAMP PADS
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SERVICE DATERS & NUMBERERS
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200 FIFTH AVENUE
NEW YORK

RUBBER TYPE OUTFITS
JUVENILE TYPE NOVELTIES
ARTISTAMP SETS
RUBBER STAMP INK

February 19, 1940.

Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Attention of Mr. J. E. Hoover.

Gentlemen:

In reply to yours of recent date, we are mailing under separate cover a copy of our latest catalog #41. This catalog contains information concerning rubber stamp sets, date sets, and line bank stamps.

Hoping that this will prove of interest to you,

Very truly yours,
FULTON SPECIALTY COMPANY.

L. H. Tavernier

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March 11, 1940

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Mr. A. R. Vitale /
R. A. Stewart and Company,
Incorporated
80 Duane Street
New York, New York

Dear Mr. Vitale:

Reference is made to your letter
of February 14, 1940 stating that you were forwarding
under separate cover your catalog #93, showing the
different products that your company manufactures and
distributes.

I desire to express my gratitude
for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely yours,

Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. Nathan _____
Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
Mr. Clegg _____
Mr. Ladd _____
Mr. Coffey _____
Mr. Egan _____
Mr. Glavin _____
Mr. Harbo _____
Mr. Lester _____
Mr. Hendon _____
Mr. McIntire _____
Mr. Nichols _____
Mr. Rosen _____
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Mr. Tracy _____
Miss Gandy _____

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R. A. STEWART & COMPANY, INC.

DISTRIBUTORS OF CROWN, TRIUMPH, SUPERIOR, HILCO, BEACON

80 DUANE STREET
NEW YORK, N. Y.

MODERN MARKING DEVICES

February 14, 1940

Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Attention: J. Edgar Hoover, Director

Gentlemen:

We acknowledge and thank you for your
letter dated February 13th.

We are sending you, under separate cover,
our #93 Catalogue that shows the different products
that we manufacture and distribute.

Very truly yours,
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R. A. STEWART & COMPANY, INC.

A. R. Vitale

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March 20, 1940

Mr. M. Leone
Louis Melind Company
362 West Chicago Avenue
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Mr. Leone:

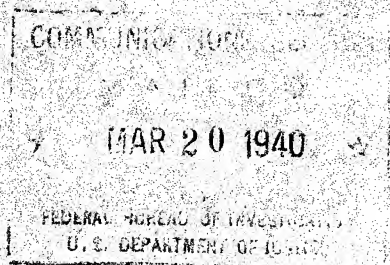
Reference is made to your letter of
February 10, 1940 stating that you were forwarding
your latest catalog to the Bureau.

I wish to thank you for your catalog
#101 which gives complete information on items in
your line.

Sincerely yours,

Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. Nathan _____
Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
Mr. Clegg _____
Mr. Ladd _____
Mr. Coffey _____
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362 W. CHICAGO AVE.

CHICAGO, ILL.

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February 10, 1940

Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Dept. of Justice
Washington, D.C.

Att'n., Mr. J. Edgar Hoover

Gentlemen:

As requested in your letter of February 7, we
are pleased to send you a copy of our #101 catalog.
This is our latest catalog and gives complete informa-
tion on items in our line.

Yours very truly,

X LOUIS MELIND COMPANY

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March 20, 1940

Mr. W. Rueffer
Eagle Stamp Works, Incorporated
162 North Franklin Street
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Mr. Rueffer:

Reference is made to your letter of February 9, 1940 stating that you are forwarding to the Bureau under separate cover copies of your two latest catalogs.

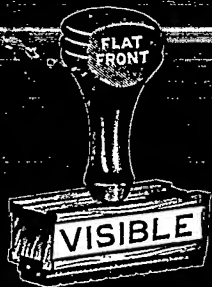
I wish to thank you for your continued cooperation and for your two catalogs entitled, Marking Devices and Rubber Stamps.

Sincerely yours,

Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. Nathan _____
Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
Mr. Clegg _____
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EAGLE STAMP WORKS, INC.

CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

162 NORTH
FRANKLIN ST.

February 9, 1940

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE
WASHINGTON, D. C.

Att: J. E. Hoover

Dear Mr. Hoover:

We acknowledge with thanks receipt of your Air Mail letter dated February 8 and as per your request we are forwarding to you under separate cover today a copy of our two latest catalogs.

Hoping that same will answer your purpose and assuring you that if we can be of assistance to you at any time we will be more than pleased to cooperate.

Remaining, we are

Very truly yours,

EAGLE STAMP WORKS, INC.

W. Rueffer

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March 20, 1940

Mr. J. R. Swift
President
The Superior Type Company
1800 West Larchmont Avenue
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Mr. Swift:

Reference is made to your letter of February 12, 1940 in which you state that you are forwarding to the Bureau a copy of your Wholesale Catalog in ring binder form.

I wish to thank you for your catalog and for your continued cooperation.

Sincerely yours,

Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. Nathan _____
Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
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Mr. Ladd _____
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THE SUPERIOR TYPE COMPANYMARKING DEVICES, RUBBER TYPE,
INKS AND SUPPLIES1800 W. LARCHMONT AVENUE
Telephone WEL. 4810

CHICAGO

February 12, 1940

Mr. John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Your Air Mail letter of February 8 is received. Your request is rather an unusual one, and so we are at a loss to know how to fill it. However, we are sending you, under separate cover, a copy of our Wholesale Catalog, in ring binder form, in which we have inserted the most of the sheets which are now current. If after receiving this, you find that your requirements are still uncovered, we should be glad to hear from you further.

You will note that we speak of our Wholesale Catalog in the above paragraph. We do not sell our goods directly to the consumer, but only through our established agencies. However, the product is so special and and as it contains many type faces the masters of which we own and control, we have made it a practice to print up retail catalogs for our dealers. These are likely, therefore, to be more limited in the display of goods, as the dealer is given the right to make choice for his territory.

Our stock controls indicate about three thousand items, and we estimate that these ramify into about fourteen thousand, when modified to special uses. Hence, no catalog could show all products which we are prepared to supply.

From time to time, your representatives have been in to see us in connection with

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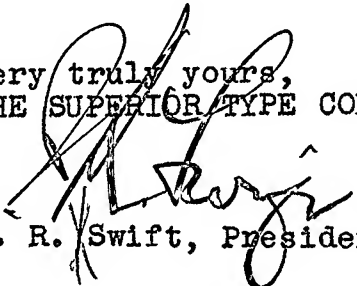
implements apparently used for printing ransom letters in kidnapping cases, and we have aided them so far as possible in preparing implements similar to those which had been used, and by making microscopic studies of letters shown us we believe we have been able to identify the implements used in printing the letter. On one of these occasions, it is believed that we gave some of our catalog matter to one of your representatives and also that we volunteered to supply to you, without charge, certain implements which might be of interest to you from time to time.

If it is in connection with such matter that you are asking for a catalog, we believe that we could be of more effective help by working on each specific problem in our laboratory where we have some facilities and some experience in identifying inks, printing methods, and printing implements. To fit you so that you could be prepared to identify any of the implements which might be put together for printing purposes would probably be very difficult.

In addition to the items shown in the Wholesale Catalog, we manufacture quite a large number of popular items sold through Mail Order Houses, Chain Stores, and the like, with Movable Rubber Type or Type on Movable Bands. These are frequently of passing popularity and are not permanently cataloged.

Please let us know if we can be of any assistance to you and your organization at any time whatsoever.

Very truly yours,
THE SUPERIOR TYPE COMPANY


J. R. Swift, President

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March 5, 1940

Mr. J. T. Marks
The C. H. Hanson Company
303 West Erie Street
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Mr. Marks:

Reference is made to your letter of February 10,
1940 transmitting your Catalog No. 90.

I desire to express my gratitude for your
cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Mr. Tolson	
Mr. Nathan	
Mr. E. A. Tamm	
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NAME PLATES
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METAL TRADE CHECKS
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STATE AND MUNICIPAL
LICENSE PLATES
TAGS AND BADGES

THE C. H. HANSON COMPANY

MANUFACTURERS OF MARKING DEVICES

ESTABLISHED 1866

303 WEST ERIE STREET

PHONE SUPERIOR 1133

CHICAGO, ILL. February 10th, 1940

John Edgar Hoover, Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
United States Department of Justice,
Washington D.C.

Sir:

The Catalog No. 90 you received originally
is the only one we have of which we have made no
reprints.

Frankly we are not greatly interested in
rubber stamps and related products, since our line
is mostly metal.

Another copy of Catalog No. 90 is enclosed.

Incidentally, we do not manufacture the sundry
items listed in this catalog. Most such devices are
procured from various manufacturers here and in other
cities.

Yours very truly,

THE C. H. HANSON COMPANY

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J. T. Marks

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March 8, 1940

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Mr. F. H. Bronner
The Erwin-Hodson Company
430 Northwest Fifteenth Avenue
Portland, Oregon

Dear Mr. Bronner:

Reference is made to your letter of February 16, 1940 with which you state that your catalogs #1-33 and #3-66 are your latest catalogs.

I wish to thank you for your continued cooperation and for the assurance that as soon as your company publishes new catalogs, copies will be forwarded to me.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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The Irwin-Hodson Company

PRINTERS · LITHOGRAPHERS · MARKING DEVICES · METAL SIGNS

439 N.W. FIFTEENTH AVENUE
PORTLAND, OREGON

February 16, 1940

MARKING DEVICE DIVISION

MARKING DEVICE,
MARKING INK,
METAL SIGN,
AUTO LICENSE AND
CELLULOID DEPARTMENTS

Celluloid Buttons
Celluloid Badges
Steel Road Signs
Steel Traffic Signs
Aluminum Street Signs
Reflector Signs
Traffic Flasher Signs
Brass Signs
Bronze Signs
Rubber Stamps
Stencils
Steel Stamps
Brass Stamps
Time Stamps
Trade Checks
Key Checks
Baggage Checks
Notary Seals
Corporation Seals
Lodge Seals
Wax Seals
Lead Seals
Auto License Plates
City License Plates
Rubber Type
Police Badges
Metal Badges
Ribbon Badges
Fire Badges
Convention Badges
Souvenir Badges
Medals
Soap Dies
Box Brands
Burning Brands
Cattle Ear Tags
Sheep Ear Tags
Door Plates
Machine Plates
Etched Name Plates
Ticket Daters
Ticket Punches
Numbering Machines
Stencil Machines
Lumber Grading Stamps
Log Hammers
Marking Inks
License Certificate Containers

Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Dept. of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Attention: Mr. John Edgar Hoover, Director

Gentlemen:

Replying to your air mail letter of the 13th inst., would say that we have no later catalogs than our Catalog No. T-83 and No. G-66, of which you already have copies.

If at any time we do publish anything new along these lines, we would be only too pleased to send you copies.

Yours respectfully,

THE IRWIN-HODSON COMPANY

By

F. H. Bronner

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Ideal Stencil Machines



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February 13, 1940

AIR MAIL

The Irwin-Hodson Company
Northwest 15th to 16th Avenues at Glisan
Portland, Oregon

Gentlemen:

The Bureau would be pleased to receive the latest catalogs which you have for distribution concerning rubber stamp sets, date sets, and line date bank stamps. If you have varied and different catalogs concerning these, it would be appreciated if you would furnish the Bureau with a copy of each. At the present time I have two catalogs of your Company #T83 and G66.

Assuring you of my appreciation for your cooperation in this matter, I am

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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February 8, 1940

Johnson, Smith & Company
 6615 East Jefferson Avenue
 Detroit, Michigan

Gentlemen:

The Bureau would be pleased to receive the latest catalogs which you have for distribution concerning rubber stamp sets, date sets, and line date bank stamps. If you have varied and different catalogs concerning these, it would be appreciated if you would furnish the Bureau with a copy of each. At the present time I have a catalog of your Company of a previous year, #145.

Assuring you of my appreciation for your cooperation in this matter, I am

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
 Director

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February 13, 1940

R. A. ~~Stuart~~ and Company, Incorporated
80 Duane Street
New York, New York

Gentlemen:

The Bureau would be pleased to receive the latest catalogs which you have for distribution concerning rubber stamp sets, date sets, and line date bank stamps. If you have varied and different catalogs concerning these, it would be appreciated if you would furnish the Bureau with a copy of each. At the present time I have three catalogs of your Company #68, #74 and #83.

Assuring you of my appreciation for your cooperation in this matter, I am

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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February 8, 1940

G. A. Pickup and Sons
Nashville, Tennessee

Gentlemen:

The Bureau would be pleased to receive the latest catalogs which you have for distribution concerning rubber stamp sets, date sets, and line date bank stamps. If you have varied and different catalogs concerning these, it would be appreciated if you would furnish the Bureau with a copy of each. At the present time I have a catalog of your Company of a previous year, regarding solid rubber type.

Assuring you of my appreciation for your cooperation in this matter, I am

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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February 8, 1940

James H. Matthews and Company
3942 Forbes Street
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Gentlemen:

The Bureau would be pleased to receive the latest catalogs which you have for distribution concerning rubber stamp sets, date sets, and line date bank stamps. If you have varied and different catalogs concerning these, it would be appreciated if you would furnish the Bureau with a copy of each. At the present time I have catalogs of your Company #28 and #30.

Assuring you of my appreciation for your cooperation in this matter, I am

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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February 8, 1940

AIR MAIL

The C. H. Hanson Company
303 W. Erie Street
Chicago, Illinois

Gentlemen:

The Bureau would be pleased to receive the latest catalogs which you have for distribution concerning rubber stamp sets, date sets, and line date bank stamps. If you have varied and different catalogs concerning these, it would be appreciated if you would furnish the Bureau with a copy of each. At the present time I have a catalog of your Company of a previous year, which bears the number 90.

Assuring you of my appreciation for your cooperation in this matter, I am

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Mr. Tolson _____
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AIR MAIL

Superior Type Company
Chicago, Illinois

Gentlemen:

The Bureau would be pleased to receive the latest catalogs which you have for distribution concerning rubber stamp sets, date sets, and line date bank stamps. If you have varied and different catalogs concerning these, it would be appreciated if you would furnish the Bureau with a copy of each. At the present time I have catalogs of your Company #103, #41, and a catalog labeled, "Solid Rubber Type and Universal Sign Markers and Chart Printers."

Assuring you of my appreciation for your cooperation in this matter, I am

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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February 7, 1940

William A. Force and Company, Incorporated
105 North Street
New York, New York

Gentlemen:

The Bureau would be pleased to receive the latest catalogs which you have for distribution concerning rubber stamp sets, date sets, and line date bank stamps. If you have varied and different catalogs concerning these, it would be appreciated if you would furnish the Bureau with a copy of each. At the present time I have a catalog of your Company of a previous year.

Assuring you of my appreciation for your cooperation in this matter, I am

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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February 7, 1940

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Lewis Melind Company
362-4 West Chicago Avenue
Chicago, Illinois

Gentlemen:

The Bureau would be pleased to receive the latest catalogs which you have for distribution concerning rubber stamp sets, date sets, and line date bank stamps. If you have varied and different catalogs concerning these, it would be appreciated if you would furnish the Bureau with a copy of each. At the present time I have a catalog of your Company of a previous year.

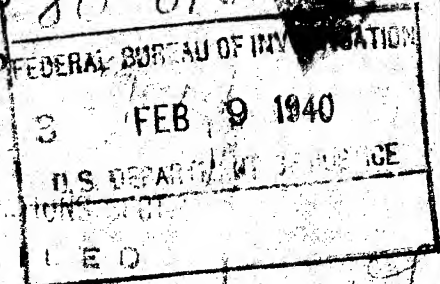
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Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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February 8, 1940

Consolidated Stamp Manufacturing Company
87 Maiden Lane
New York, New York

Gentlemen:

The Bureau would be pleased to receive the latest catalogs which you have for distribution concerning rubber stamp sets, date sets, and line date bank stamps. If you have varied and different catalogs concerning these, it would be appreciated if you would furnish the Bureau with a copy of each. At the present time I have a catalog of your Company of a previous year, which bears the number 70.

Assuring you of my appreciation for your cooperation in this matter, I am

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. Nathan _____
Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
Mr. Clegg _____
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February 8, 1940

The J. F. W. Dorman Company
526 North Calvert Street
Baltimore, Maryland

Gentlemen:

The Bureau would be pleased to receive the latest catalogs which you have for distribution concerning rubber stamp sets, date sets, and line date bank stamps. If you have varied and different catalogs concerning these, it would be appreciated if you would furnish the Bureau with a copy of each. At the present time I have a catalog of your Company of a previous year, which bears the number 80.

Assuring you of my appreciation for your cooperation in this matter, I am

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Mr. Tolson _____
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Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
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AIR MAIL

Eagle Stamp Works
162 North Franklin
Chicago, Illinois

Gentlemen:

You would be pleased to receive the latest sets which you have for distribution consisting of number stamp sets, date sets, and line date stamps. If you have varied and different categories concerning these, it would be appreciated if you could furnish the Bureau with a copy of each. At the present time I have a catalog of your Company for the year 1936.

Assuring you of my appreciation for your cooperation in this matter, I am

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. Nathan _____
Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
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February 8, 1940

X Baumgarten and Company, Incorporated
Baltimore, Maryland

Gentlemen:

The Bureau would be pleased to receive the latest catalogs which you have for distribution concerning rubber stamp sets, date sets, and line date bank stamps. If you have varied and different catalogs concerning these, it would be appreciated if you would furnish the Bureau with a copy of each. At the present time I have catalogs of your Company numbered 20 and 30.

Assuring you of my appreciation for your cooperation in this matter, I am

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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March 5, 1940

Johnson Smith & Company
6615 East Jefferson Avenue
Detroit, Michigan

Gentlemen:

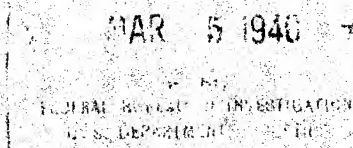
Reference is made to your letter of February 10, 1940 stating that as soon as your 1940 catalog is off the press, a copy will be forwarded to the Bureau.

I wish to thank you for your prompt reply and the assurance that your new catalog will be forwarded within the near future.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. Nathan _____
Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
Mr. Clegg _____
Mr. Ladd _____
Mr. Coffey _____
Mr. Egan _____
Mr. Glavin _____
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Mr. Lester _____
Mr. Hendon _____
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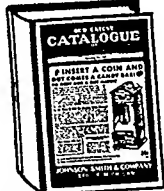
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6615 EAST JEFFERSON AVENUE

DETROIT, MICH.

DISTRIBUTORS FOR
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EXPO WATCH CAMERA
INVINCIBLE BICYCLE

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PUZZLES
GAMES
SPORTING GOODS
REVOLVERS AND FIREARMS
JEWELRY
FANCY GOODS
HOUSEHOLD LABOR
SAVING DEVICES
INTERESTING BOOKS
RUBBER STAMPS
CAMERAS AND SUPPLIES
HOME REMEDIES
MUSICAL NOVELTIES
CURIOSITIES IN SEEDS
PUNCHBOARDS AND SALESCARDS
ETC. ETC.



CATALOG (600 PAGES) FREE

February 10, 1940

MC Mr. J. E. Hoover, Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Dept. of Justice,
WASHINGTON, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

Your letter of the 8th instant is at hand, requesting us to send you one of our latest catalogs. This we are only too pleased to do and are sending you a copy by mail today. This is our 1939 catalog, #154.

The catalog you have, #145, being several years old. By the way, I sent you a copy of this catalog on August 14th and it was duly acknowledged by Mr. Harold Nathan, Assistant Director. We are now working on our 1940 catalog and as soon as it is off the press, I will see that a copy is sent you, so as to keep your files up to date.

Yours very truly,

X JOHNSON SMITH & COMPANY

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.
February 8, 1940

Baumgarten and Company, Incorporated
Baltimore, Maryland

Gentlemen:

The Bureau would be pleased to receive the latest catalogs which you have for distribution concerning rubber stamp sets, date sets, and line date bank stamps. If you have varied and different catalogs concerning these, it would be appreciated if you would furnish the Bureau with a copy of each. At the present time I have catalogs of your Company numbered 20 and 30.

Assuring you of my appreciation for your cooperation in this matter, I am

Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover
John Edgar Hoover
Director

2/9/40

Our #30 catalog is our latest issue.

Wm. Baumgarten & Co.
111 W. Fayette St.
Baltimore, Md.

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WM. BAUMGARTEN & CO.
111 W. FAYETTE STREET
BALTIMORE, MD.



John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

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February 8, 1940

Fulton Specialty Company
200 Fifth Avenue
New York, New York

Gentlemen:

The Bureau would be pleased to receive the latest catalogs which you have for distribution concerning rubber stamp sets, date sets, and line date bank stamps. If you have varied and different catalogs concerning these, it would be appreciated if you would furnish the Bureau with a copy of each. At the present time I have a catalog of your Company of a previous year which bears the number 40.

Assuring you of my appreciation for your cooperation in this matter, I am

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. Nathan _____
Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
Mr. Clegg _____
Mr. Ladd _____
Mr. Coffey _____
Mr. Egan _____
Mr. Glavin _____
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Mr. A. J. Smith
Johnson Smith and Company
6615 East Jefferson Avenue
Detroit, Michigan

Dear Mr. Smith:

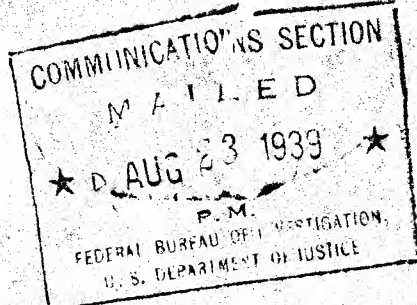
In the absence of the Director, Mr. Hoover, from Washington I wish to acknowledge your letter of August 15, 1939, together with your new catalog.

It was very kind of you to send this to Mr. Hoover and your courtesy in this matter is appreciated.

Sincerely yours,
For the Director

Harold Nathan
Assistant Director

Mr. Tolson.....
Mr. Nathan.....
Mr. E. A. Tamm.....
Mr. Clegg.....
Mr. Coffey.....
Mr. Egan.....
Mr. Glavin.....
Mr. Ladd.....
Mr. Nichols.....
Mr. Rosen.....
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DETROIT, MICH.

August 15, 1939

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Mr. J. Edgar Hoover,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
WASHINGTON, D.C.

Dear Mr. Hoover;

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Handwritten: 80-613-46
In my letter of April 1, 1939, I stated I
would send you a copy of our new catalog as soon as it
was off the press.

The new edition is now ready and I am having a
copy mailed to you today.

Always at your service and with kind regards,

Yours very truly,

JOHNSON SMITH & COMPANY

Handwritten: A. J. Smith

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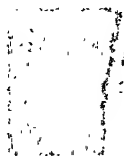
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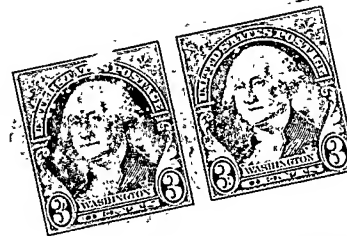
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Send 3¢ for
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**TOO LATE for our Catalog
TOO GOOD to miss!**

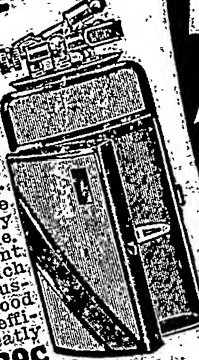
**HERE'S OUR
NEW CATALOG!**



**CIGARET CASE
& LIGHTER 39c**

Here are two most useful articles all in one—a handsome cigarette case equipped with a reliable cigar lighter. Very convenient, practical and with different designs, one of which is shown in the accompanying illustration. The lighter is a good make that is guaranteed to work efficiently and satisfactorily. Fits neatly into vest pocket.

No. 3331, Price Postpaid.....10c
No. 3337, Extra Plints, 3 for.....39c



FORTUNE TELLING INCENSE

Read Your Fortune in the Ashes



Magic Fortune Teller Incense is made from a secret Oriental formula. Made in cake form, it is placed on the accompanying metal stand and then lit. As the incense slowly burns, your fortune word by word appears in the ashes, letter by letter, word by word, like being brought to you from a distant world. Very weird and mysterious. Hold Fortune Telling parties. Size of incense 3x1 1/2 in. In attractive box.

No. 4059, Price Each Postpaid.....29c



CIVIL SERVICE RING

For Soldiers, Sailors, Marines, Aviators, Letter Carriers, Coast Guards, Etc.



A ring for every man in Uncle Sam's service to wear. Massive size, nicely finished and stamped in relief with American Eagle on both sides of blue stone. Sparkling blue sterling silver, two finishes.

FINGER SIZE:
No. 8352, Sterling Silver, Price Postpaid.....\$1.50
No. 8353, Rolled Gold, Price Postpaid.....\$2.75



Polaroid Sun Glasses

Polaroid lenses—a new type of lens which cuts out light rays originating from glare, reflecting other detail of view in full clarity. For fishermen, see right down into the water, eliminating surface glare. For motorists, eliminates glare from road, etc. Tinted glass, leather case.

No. 9232, Price Postpaid.....\$2.29

- ★ 604 PAGES ROTOGRAVURE SECTION
- ★ 7000 NOVELTIES!
- ★ 4000 ILLUSTRATIONS!
- ★ 6 COLOR COVER!

HORSE LAFF RAZZER



Give 'Em The Razzberries
A real fun maker, a laugh producer. Blow up this Musical Razzor Cushion and put it on a chair. When someone sits on it, the RAZZOR, in the tail, makes a loud roar that is embarrassing to the person sitting down. Made of rubber. Works on same principle as the famous Whoopee Cushion, which has created innumerable laughs. Always ready for use. Take it anywhere and place it on a chair, bus seat, trolley seat, etc., and see if it doesn't cause sales of laughter.

No. 2688, Price Postpaid.....19c

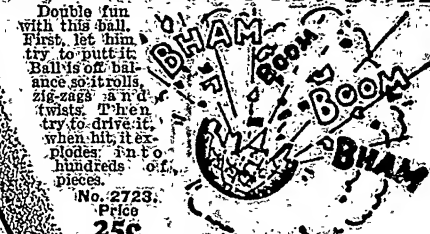
SCREWBALL PIN



Thousands Sold at the World's Fair!
Here is the symbol of the World's Fair, only made in humorous form. If you missed the Fair, wear one of these pins—the SCREWBALL PIN. A sensation at the fair, and just as popular all over the country. Join the SCREWBALL club. Attractively made with screw-type holder on back to fit label, etc.

No. 2176, Price Postpaid.....10c

SHATTERING GOLF BALL



Double fun with this ball. First, let him try to putt it. Ball is off balance so it rolls zig-zag and twists. Then try to drive it, when hit, it explodes into hundreds of pieces.

No. 2723, Price Postpaid.....25c

Tell Your Friends They Can Get Our NEW Catalog of Amazing New Novelties By Sending only 3 cents To

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DETROIT MICHIGAN

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United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

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May 15, 1939

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. HANLIN

Re: Status of rubber stamp file.

At the present time there are in the rubber stamp file the following listed catalogues with the names of the companies they represent:

- ✓ G. A. Pickup & Sons, Nashville, Tennessee.
- ✓ William A. Force & Co., Inc., 105 North Street, New York, New York.
- ✓ Louis Melind Company, 382-4 W. Chicago Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.
- ✓ Johnson Smith & Co., Detroit, Michigan.
- ✓ R. A. Stewart & Co., Inc., 80 Duane Street, New York, New York.
- ✓ The Irwin-Hodson Co., N. W. 15th to 16th Avenue, at Glisan, Portland, Oregon.
- ✓ James H. Matthews & Co., 3942 Forbes Street, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.
- ✓ Baumgarten & Co., Inc., Baltimore, Maryland.
- ✓ Superior Type Co., Chicago, Illinois.
- ✓ Consolidated Stamp Manufacturing Co., 87 Maiden Lane, New York, New York.
- ✓ The C. H. Hanson Co., 303 W. Erie Street, Chicago, Illinois.
- ✓ The J. F. W. Dorman Co., 528 North Calvert Street, Baltimore, Maryland.
- ✓ Fulton Specialty Company, 200 Fifth Avenue, New York, New York.
- ✓ Eagle Stamp Works, 162 North Franklin Street, Chicago, Illinois.
- ✓ Pannier Brothers Stamp Co., 207 Sandusky Street, N. S., Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.
- Multigraph Co., Division of Addressograph - Multigraph Corporation, Cleveland, Ohio.
- Specimens of Type Faces - U. S. Government Printing Office.
- Columbia, Sign and Chart Printers, Catalogue #25, Hans H. Hellescoe, 2444 Armitage Street, Chicago, Illinois.
- American Type Foundry.

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Memorandum for Mr. Nathan

May 15, 1939.

Since March 17, 1939 the rubber stamp file has been undergoing a process of rehabilitation. The old and the new catalogues received from Rubber Stamp Companies have been appropriately filed in a cabinet drawer labeled the Rubber Stamp File and these catalogues have been placed in Globe-Wernicke containers, appropriately labeled with the name of the rubber stamp company that the catalogue or catalogues represent. Preliminary test cards have been made consisting of 8x8 pieces of white cardboard on which have been glued specimens showing particular sizes and shapes of letters of different office printing outfits and toy printing outfits, together with the name of the company handling same. These preliminary examination cards contain series of letters of different printing sets put out by various companies and which are about the same size and run in about the same price range per set. Among the outfits represented, by way of illustration, is the Mickey Mouse printing set and the Benjamin Franklin printing set costing about \$.25 a piece wholesale. Dater rubber stamp impressions appear on one 8x8 card representing six of the larger rubber stamp distributing houses of the United States. These impression specimens in most instances show the Gothic as well as the Roman type print, and are designated as number 1₂ by their manufacturers.

In the event of failure to locate a particular style of type on one of these preliminary examination cards the catalogues could be referred to and later if necessary contact would then be made with a representative of the Marking Devices Association in Chicago, Illinois. Mr. W. S. Lodge, Secretary for the Marking Devices Association has been most helpful in the past in furnishing information of a general nature relative to the organization of the rubber stamp industry and specific information relative to manufacturing concerns and companies involved in the production of rubber stamps. In this way individual companies whose names resulted from the above system would then be contacted for specific location of a type style and size involved together with information relative to its distributors.

With the completion of this project the Rubber Stamp File is now up to date and in a workable condition. It is located in ~~Mr. Blackburn's office~~, room 7040.

Change made by addition 5/13/39 1410
Respectfully,

E. F. Coffey

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May 15, 1939

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. NATHAN

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Johnson Smith & Co., Detroit, Michigan.
R. A. Stewart & Co., Inc., 80 Duane Street,
New York, New York.
The Irwin-Hodson Co., E. W. 15th to 16th
Avenues, at Glisan, Portland, Oregon.
James H. Matthews & Co., 5942 Forbes Street,
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.
Baumgarten & Co., Inc., Baltimore, Maryland.
Superior Type Co., Chicago, Illinois.
Consolidated Stamp Manufacturing Co.,
87 Maiden Lane, New York, New York.
The C. H. Hanson Co., 303 W. Erie Street,
Chicago, Illinois.
The J. F. W. Dorman Co., 526 North Calvert
Street, Baltimore, Maryland.
Fulton Specialty Company, 800 Fifth Avenue,
New York, New York.
Eagle Stamp Works, 162 North Franklin Street,
Chicago, Illinois.
Pannier Brothers Stamp Co., 207 Sandusky Street,
N. S., Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.
Multigraph Co., Division of Addressograph -
Multigraph Corporation, Cleveland, Ohio.
Specimens of Type Faces - U. S. Government
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Columbia, Sign and Chart Printers, Catalogue #25,
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Respectfully,

E. P. Coffey

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

April 13, 1939

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. NATHAN

Re: Rubber Stamp File Progress Report.

With reference to my memorandum of March 17, 1939 in connection with the above-entitled matter, the following is a progress report for the first ten day period. The catalogues as listed below have been received from the rubber stamp companies:

Catalogue #144 of the James H. Matthews and Company, 3942 Forbes Street, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.
Catalogue of the William A. Forbes and Company of New York City.
Catalogue entitled Marking Devices of the R. A. Stewart and Company 80 Duane Street, New York, N. Y.
Catalogue #30 of the Baumgarten and Company Incorporated 213 East Fayette Street, Baltimore, Maryland.
Catalogue #90 of the C. H. Hanson Company, 303 West Erie Street, Chicago, Illinois.
Catalogues entitled Specimens of Type For Rubber Stamp and Rubber Stamp Catalogue G66 of the Erwin Hudson Company, Portland, Oregon.
Catalogues #60 and #62 of the Pannier Brothers Stamp Company, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.
Catalogue entitled The Marking Devices by the Louis Melind Company, San Francisco, California.
Catalogue of the Eagle Stamp Works, 162 North Franklin Street, Chicago, Illinois.

The rubber stamps obtained in connection with the Mattson kidnaping case have been transferred to the rubber stamp file although they are carefully segregated from the other rubber stamps in this file, each specimen is contained in the original repository envelope in which it was placed at the time of its recording in the Bureau Laboratory.

Upon receipt of the remaining catalogues from rubber stamp manufacturing companies as a result of the Bureau's requests, it is believed a group of standards can be prepared that may be used for preliminary examination of questioned material connected with this file.

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Respectfully,

E. P. Coffey
E. P. Coffey

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U. S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE
CHIEF OF BUREAU

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ADDRESSOGRAPH-MULTIGRAPH CORPORATION
MULTIGRAPH DIVISION

Euclid Post Office
Cleveland, Ohio

March 22, 1939

Federal Bureau of Investigation
U.S. Department of Justice
Washington, D.C.

Attention: Mr. John Edgar Hoover, Director

Gentlemen:

We regret that we are unable to supply you with the information on rubber stamp sets and date sets as requested in your letter of March 18th.

We do not manufacture material of this kind.

We do, however, manufacture duplicating machines which can frequently be used to number or date record cards and other data very satisfactorily and at quite high speed.

So that you may have complete information on the possibilities of Multigraph methods of duplicating for your needs, we are referring your request for information to our Washington Sales Agency, located at 1208 H Street, N.W., in charge of Mr. D.E. White, Sales Agent.

Mr. White will be glad to have one of our representatives call at your office and furnish you complete information on numbering, dating and imprinting applications by Multigraph methods.

We appreciate your continued interest in multigraph methods and products.

Very truly yours,

s/

M.H. Tomlinson,
Manager,
Multigraph Methods Department

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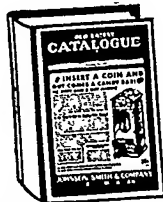
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CATALOG (600 PAGES) FREE

Mr. J. E. Hoover, Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
United States Dept. of Justice,
WASHINGTON, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

Your letter of the 29th ult., is to hand
in reference to the Bureau's letter of March 18, 1939,
requesting a copy of your latest catalog.

If, as you say, the catalog you have on
hand is #145, then we have a later one issued last year.
A copy is being mailed to you under separate cover. The
1939 edition of our catalog will be available in a few
weeks' time and I will then see that you get a copy.

With kind regards,

Yours very truly,

X JOHNSON SMITH & COMPANY.

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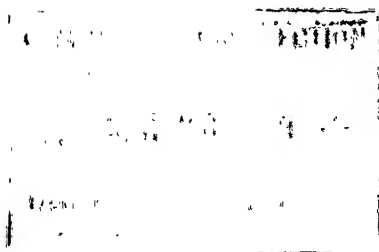
Mr. J. T. Marks
The C. H. Hanson Company
303 West Erie Street
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Mr. Marks:

Reference is made to your letter of March 21, 1939 in which you state that you are forwarding to the Bureau the last issue of your catalogue covering rubber stamps and sundries.

I wish to thank you for your prompt reply and for your catalogue.

Sincerely yours,



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REESE'S ADJUSTABLE STENCILS
STENCIL AND STAMP PAD INKS
STEEL MARKING DIES
LEAD SEALS - WAX SEALS - EMBOSSING SEALS
RUBBER STAMPS AND SUNDRIES
BURNING BRANDS
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ETCHED METAL ADVERTISING SPECIALTIES



NAME PLATES
METAL TAGS
METAL TRADE CHECKS
ETCHED METAL SIGNS

STATE AND MUNICIPAL
LICENSE PLATES
TAGS AND BADGES

THE C.H. HANSON COMPANY

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303 WEST ERIE STREET

PHONE SUPERIOR 1133

CHICAGO, ILL.

Mar. 21, 1939

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Dept. of Justice
Washington, D.C.

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Gentlemen:

Responding to your request of the 18th we enclose a copy of the last issue of our catalog covering rubber stamps and sundries.

While this book is not up to date insofar as prices are concerned, it does cover the items we sell. We manufacture rubber stamps only and resell most of the other items listed, which are manufactured or jobbed by local supply firms.

If there is any further information you require in this connection, please do not hesitate to write us.

Yours truly,
THE C.H. HANSON COMPANY
BY J. T. Marks
J. T. Marks

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April 5, 1939

Mr. F. H. Bronner
The Irwin-Hodson Company
439 North West Fifteenth Avenue
Portland, Oregon

Dear Mr. Bronner:

Reference is made to your letter of March 22, 1939 in which you state that there are being forwarded under separate cover two catalogues of your company.

I wish to thank you for the catalogue Specimens of Type For Rubber Stamps, supplement T-83 and for your catalogue #G-66.

Sincerely yours,

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The Irwin-Hodson Company

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439 N.W. FIFTEENTH AVENUE
PORTLAND, OREGON

March 22, 1939

MARKING DEVICE DIVISION

MARKING DEVICE,
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CELLULOID DEPARTMENTS

Celluloid Buttons
Celluloid Badges
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Steel Traffic Signs
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Auto License Plates
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Rubber Type
Police Badges
Metal Badges
Ribbon Badges
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Convention Badges
Souvenir Badges
Medals
Soap Dies
Box Brands
Burning Brands
Cattle Ear Tags
Sheep Ear Tags
Door Plates
Machine Plates
Etched Name Plates
Ticket Daters
Ticket Punches
Numbering Machines
Stencil Machines
Lumber Grading Stamps
Log Hammers
Marking Inks
License Certificate Containers

Mr. John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your favor of the 18th inst., would say
that we do not believe we have published any catalogs such
as you refer to since giving your representative our catalogs.

However, we are sending you under separate cover by
today's mail two copies of two different catalogs for fear
that perhaps we did not give one of them to your representative
for your files.

Trusting that these will be of service, we remain,

Yours respectfully,

THE IRWIN-HODSON COMPANY

By

J. H. Bronner
CS.

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MAR 27 1939
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Ideal Stencil Machines

April 27, 1939

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Mr. Robert Pannier
Pannier Brothers Stamp Company
207-209 Sandusky Street, N. S.
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. Pannier:

Reference is made to your letter of
March 22, 1939 in which you stated that there were
being forwarded to the Bureau under separate
cover a group of catalogues.

I wish to thank you for your catalogues
#60 and #62 and your catalogue entitled National
Heat and Inspectors Stamps.

Sincerely yours,

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STEEL STAMPS,
STEEL DIES,
INSPECTOR'S HAMMERS,
BOX
PRINTING DIES,
RAISED LETTER CHECKS.

Pannier Bros. Stamp Co.

INCORPORATED
1902.

Manufacturers of Stamps

207-209 SANDUSKY STREET, N. S.

Pittsburgh, Pa.

March 22, 1939

IN REPLY TO
YOURS OF

FILE NO.

TIME CHECKS,
METAL BADGES,
STENCILS,
RUBBER DIES,
RUBBER STAMPS,
SEALS,
METAL SHIPPING TAGS
TAG ADDRESSER.

Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Attention: Mr. John Edgar Hoover

Dear Mr. Hoover:

In response to your request of March 20,
we are sending to you, under separate cover, a
group of catalogs which illustrate and describe
the items which you have listed in your letter.

We hope these catalogs will prove
valuable to you when in the market for products
in our line.

Very truly yours,

PANNIER BROS. STAMP CO., INC.

Robt Pannier
Robt. Pannier

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MAR 23 1939
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"A Business of Business Necessities"

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March 29, 1939

Mr. A. J. Smith
Johnson Smith and Company
Detroit, Michigan

Dear Mr. Smith:

Reference is made to your letter of March 21, 1939 referring to the Bureau's letter of March 18, 1939 requesting a copy of your latest catalogue.

For your information a copy of your 145 catalogue copyrighted in 1936 is at present on file at the Bureau.

I wish to thank you for your prompt reply and the assurance that your new catalogue will be forwarded to the Bureau in the near future.

Sincerely yours,

JOHNSON SMITH & COMPANY

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HOME REMEDIES
MUSICAL NOVELTIES
CURIOSITIES IN SEEDS
PUNCHBOARDS AND SALESCARDS
ETC. ETC.



CATALOG (600 PAGES) FREE

o Rubber stamps

March 21, 1939

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
United States Department of Justice,
WASHINGTON, D. C.

Dear Sir:

We are in receipt of your letter of the
18th instant requesting a copy of our latest catalog.

I am pretty sure you have a copy of our #148
catalog issued in 1938, but if not, please let us know and
I will be more than glad to send you on a copy.

Our new 1939 catalog is now in course of prep-
aration and will be ready in a few weeks' time. I have taken
a note to send you a copy as soon as it is ready. I do not
think, however, that we will have much new in the way of rub-
ber stamp merchandise.

Assuring you of our continued cooperation, and
with kind regards,

Yours very truly,

JOHNSON SMITH & COMPANY.

A. J. SMITH

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
MAR 23 1939
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April 25, 1939

Mr. C. E. Ambrose
Louis Melind Company
362 West Chicago Avenue
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Mr. Ambrose:

Reference is made to your letter of March 21, 1939 stating that you are mailing to me a copy of the only catalogue you have in file at the present time.

I wish to thank you for the catalogue "Marking Devices" and the assurance that your new catalogue will be forwarded to the Bureau in the near future.

Sincerely yours,

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**LOUIS
MELIND**

EST. 1893

COMPANY

362 W. CHICAGO AVE.

CHICAGO, ILL.

TEL. SUPERIOR 1811

March 21, 1939

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Dept. of Justice
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

Being always ready and willing to co-
operate we are today mailing to you a copy of the
only catalogue we have at the present time.

A new catalogue is now in the making
and a copy will be sent on as soon as it is com-
pleted.

Yours very truly,

LOUIS MELIND COMPANY

C. E. Ambrose

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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March 29, 1939

Mr. A. J. Smith
Johnson Smith and Company
Detroit, Michigan

Dear Mr. Smith:

Reference is made to your letter of March 21, 1939 referring to the Bureau's letter of March 18, 1939 requesting a copy of your latest catalogue.

For your information a copy of your #145 catalogue copyrighted in 1936 is at present on file at the Bureau.

I wish to thank you for your prompt reply and the assurance that your new catalogue will be forwarded to the Bureau in the near future.

Sincerely yours,

ADMINISTRATIVE

THE * SUPERIOR TYPE COMPANY

MARKING DEVICES, RUBBER TYPE,
INKS AND SUPPLIES

3940 RAVENSWOOD AVENUE

Telephone WEL. 3077

CHICAGO

March 20, 1939

Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Attention: Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director

Gentlemen:

Your letter of March 18 requesting catalogs has been referred to our eastern distributors, R. A. Stewart & Company, 80 Duane Street, New York City.

The Superior Type Company is a manufacturer distributing only through jobbers and dealers. We do not sell at retail and will, therefore, have the Stewart Company send you catalogs which list our entire line of Marking Devices.

Very truly yours,

THE SUPERIOR TYPE COMPANY

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A. C. * Dent

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April 25, 1939

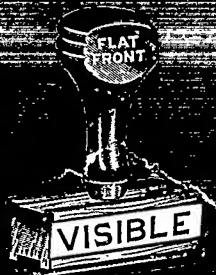
Mr. W. Rueffer
Eagle Stamp Works Incorporated
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Mr. Rueffer:

Reference is made to your letter of March 20, 1939 stating that you were forwarding to me under separate cover a copy of your latest catalogue.

I wish to thank you for the catalogue and the assurance that your new catalogue will be forwarded to the Bureau in the near future.

Sincerely yours,



TELEPHONE
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DEARBORN 297

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EAGLE STAMP WORKS INC.
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

162 NORTH
FRANKLIN ST.

March 20, 1939

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE
WASHINGTON, D. C.

Att: John Edgar Hoover

Gentlemen:

As per your request of March 18 we are forwarding to you under separate cover today a copy of our latest catalog. We are working on a new catalog which we expect to have completed within the next sixty days at which time a copy will be sent to you.

Hoping the present catalog will answer your purpose for the time being and that we will have the pleasure of hearing from you from time to time, we remain

Very truly yours,

EAGLE STAMP WORKS, INC.

W. Rueffer
W. Rueffer

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Original Stamp Sets

March 29, 1939

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Mr. L. H. Tavernier
Fulton Specialty Company
200 Fifth Avenue
New York, New York

Dear Mr. Tavernier:

Reference is made to your letter of March 20, 1939 with which you enclose a copy of the only catalogue which you have at the present time.

I wish to thank you for your prompt reply, the receipt of your catalogue and the knowledge that as soon as your new catalogue is ready for distribution a copy of it will be forwarded to me.

Sincerely yours,

Mr. Tolson	.....
Mr. Nathan	.....
Mr. E. A. Tamm	.....
Mr. Clegg	.....
Mr. Coffey	.....
Mr. Glavin	.....
Mr. Ladd	.....
Mr. Connelley	.....
Mr. Hendon	.....
Mr. Nichols	.....
Mr. Rosen	.....
Mr. Tracy	.....
Mr. Carson	
Mr. Egan	
Mr. Gurnea	
Mr. Harbo	
Mr. Hendon	
Mr. Jones	
Mr. Quinn	
Mr. Nease	
Mr. Gandy	

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FULTON SPECIALTY COMPANY

DRI-KWIK AND FULTON STAMP PADS
SIGN & PRICE MARKERS
SERVICE DATERS & NUMBERERS
FULTON DATERS & NUMBERERS
FUL-KLEEN DATERS



200 FIFTH AVENUE
NEW YORK

RUBBER TYPE OUTFITS
JUVENILE TYPE NOVELTIES
ARTISTAMP SETS
RUBBER STAMP INK

March 20, 1939.

Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Attention - Mr. J. E. Hoover

Dear Mr. Hoover:-

We acknowledge receipt of your letter of the eighteenth for which we thank you. We are enclosing a copy of the only catalog which we have at the present time as we are now working on a new issue.

However, we have placed your name on our catalog mailing list and we will send you a copy of our latest catalog just as soon as it is ready for distribution.

Very truly yours,

FULTON SPECIALTY COMPANY.

L. H. Tavernier

L. H. Tavernier-RW

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March 20, 1939.

Pannier Brothers Stamp Company
207 Sandusky Street, N. S.
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Gentlemen:

The Bureau would be pleased to receive the latest catalogs which you have for distribution concerning rubber stamp sets, date sets, and line date bank stamps. If you have varied and different catalogs concerning these, it would be appreciated if you would furnish the Bureau with a copy of each. At the present time I have a catalog of your company of a previous year.

Assuring you of my appreciation for your cooperation in this matter, I am

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. Nathan _____
Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
Mr. Clegg _____
Mr. Coffey _____
Mr. Crowl _____
Mr. Egan _____
Mr. Foxworth _____
Mr. Glavin _____
Mr. Harbo _____
Mr. Lester _____
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Mr. Q. Tamm _____
Mr. Tracy _____
Miss Gandy _____

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March 29, 1939

Mr. K. E. Finkbeiner
James H. Matthews and Company
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. Finkbeiner:

Reference is made to your letter of March 20, 1939 enclosing a copy of your latest catalogue #144.

I wish to thank you for your prompt response to my letter of March 18, 1939 and for the above-mentioned catalogue.

Sincerely yours,

Mr. Nathan
Mr. ...
Mr. H. A. Young
Mr. ...
Mr. ...
Mr. ...
Mr. ...
Mr. ...
Mr. ...
Mr. ...

JAS. H. MATTHEWS & CO.

(A PENNSYLVANIA CORPORATION)

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PHONE: MAYFLOWER 7500

PITTSBURGH, PA.

JAS. H. MATTHEWS, PRESIDENT
WILLIAM JENKINS, SECY-TREAS.
& GEN'L MGR.
HERMAN ANDERSON, VICE PRES.
& ASST GEN'L MGR.

March 20th, 1939

Federal Bureau of Investigation,
United States Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

Attention of
Mr. John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Gentlemen:-

In accordance with your request, we are enclosing a copy of our latest catalog #144 on page 1 of which is shown the prices of rubber stamps, together with the quantity and duplicate discounts applying. You will also note the discounts on various sundry items shown on the inside cover.

We trust that this catalog will be of some assistance in selecting your rubber stamp needs.

Very truly yours,

JAS. H. MATTHEWS & CO.

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K. H. Finkbeiner
K. H. Finkbeiner.

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BIRMINGHAM, ALA. 409 NORTH 23RD ST. (SALES OFFICE ONLY)

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

From: Laboratory

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___ Mr. Nathan	___ Mr. Miller
___ Mr. Appel	___ Mr. Murray
___ Mr. Baughman	___ Mr. Parsons
___ Mr. Beach	___ Mr. Pfafman
___ Mr. Blackburn	___ Mr. Pickering
___ Mr. Blaine	___ Mr. Pike
___ Mr. Burgess	___ Mr. Potter
___ Mr. Chadduck	___ Mr. Renneberger
___ Mr. H. M. Clegg	___ Mr. Row
___ Mr. Clark	___ Mr. Q. Tamm
___ Mr. Coffey	___ Mr. Willard
___ Mr. Conrad	___ Mr. Young
___ Mr. Dingle	___ Chief Clerk
___ Mr. Donaldson	___ Files
___ Mr. Feehan	___ Laboratory
___ Mr. Gasteiger	___ Stenographer
___ Mr. Millen	___ Mr. _____

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Please Handle _____

Route to #1 Examiner _____

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E. P. COFFEY

dispositions to this Bureau in any of the foregoing cases where they do not appear.

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March 18, 1959.

Johnson Smith and Company
Detroit, Michigan

Gentlemen:

The Bureau would be pleased to receive the latest catalogs which you have for distribution concerning rubber stamp sets, date sets, and line date bank stamps. If you have varied and different catalogs concerning these, it would be appreciated if you would furnish the Bureau with a copy of each. At the present time I have a catalog of your company of a previous year.

Assuring you of my appreciation for your cooperation in this matter, I am

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. Nathan _____
Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
Mr. Clegg _____
Mr. Coffey _____
Mr. Crowl _____
Mr. Egan _____
Mr. Foxworth _____
Mr. Glavin _____
Mr. Harbo _____
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March 30, 1939

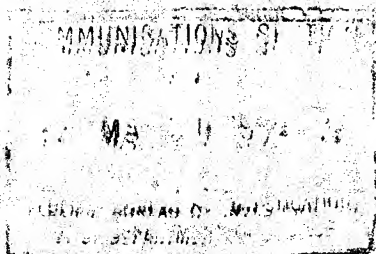
Mr. W. J. Sheridan
General Manager
R. A. Stewart and Company, Incorporated
80 Duane Street
New York, New York

Dear Mr. Sheridan:

Reference is made to your letter of March 20, 1939 in which you stated that you were transmitting to me under separate cover your latest catalogue #83 issued in June 1938.

I wish to thank you for your continued cooperation and in the future if there is any information I wish to secure regarding the items as listed in your catalogue #83, I will contact you.

Sincerely yours,



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R. A. STEWART & COMPANY, INC.

DISTRIBUTORS OF CROWN, TRIUMPH, SUPERIOR, HILCO, BEACON

80 DUANE STREET
NEW YORK, N.Y.

MODERN MARKING DEVICES

March 20, 1939.

Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Att. of: Mr. J. E. Hoover

Gentlemen:

We are pleased to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated March 18th requesting copies of our latest catalogues. The latest which we have is our #83 which was issued in June 1938.

As this contains practically all of the items with which your bureau would be interested, we are sending one of these to you, under separate cover addressed for your attention.

If there is any information concerning any of the items contained therein that you desire, kindly write us at once and if you will address your letter to the writer's attention, he will be pleased to attend to it personally.

Very truly yours,

R. A. STEWART & COMPANY INC.

M. J. Sheridan
General Mgr.

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Rt. Sheridan
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March 18, 1939.

Erwin Hodson Company
15th to 16th Avenue at Glisan
and, Oregon

Sir:

The Bureau would be pleased to receive the latest catalogs which you have for distribution concerning rubber stamp sets, date sets, and line date bank stamps. If you have varied and different catalogs concerning these, it would be appreciated if you would furnish the Bureau with a copy of each. At the present time I have a catalog of your company of a previous year.

Assuring you of my appreciation for your cooperation in this matter, I am

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. Nathan _____
Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
Mr. Clegg _____
Mr. Coffey _____
Mr. Crowl _____
Mr. Egan _____
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Mr. Q. Tamm _____
Mr. Tracy _____
Miss Gandy _____

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March 18, 1939.

James H. Matthews and Company
3942 Forbes Street
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Gentlemen:

The Bureau would be pleased to receive the latest catalogs which you have for distribution concerning rubber stamp sets, date sets, and line date bank stamps. If you have varied and different catalogs concerning these, it would be appreciated if you would furnish the Bureau with a copy of each. At the present time I have a catalog of your company of a previous year.

Assuring you of my appreciation for your cooperation in this matter, I am

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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March 29, 1939

Mr. Charles M. Reed
Secretary
J.F.W. Dorman Company, Incorporated
526-528 North Calvert Street
Baltimore, Maryland

Dear Mr. Reed:

Reference is made to your letter of March 20, 1939 in which you state that your new catalogue will be forwarded to the Bureau in about three weeks.

The two catalogues now on file at the Bureau are your #80 and one on Type Faces and Electrotypes for rubber stamps.

I wish to state my appreciation for your prompt reply and the assurance that your new catalogue will be forwarded to me as soon as it is completed.

Sincerely yours,

Mr. Tolson	
Mr. Nathan	
Mr. E. A. Tamm	
Mr. Clegg	
Mr. Glavin	
Mr. Ladd	
Mr. Nichols	
Mr. Rosen	
Mr. Tracy	
Mr. Carson	
Mr. Egan	
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MOULDING
COMPOUND

INKS FOR
RUBBER
STAMPS,
STENCILS



MAR 20 1939

Federal Bureau of Investigation
U.S. Dept. of Justice
Washington, D.C.

Attention: Mr. J.E. Hoover, Director

Dear Sir:

We have your request of March 18th and are very sorry to advise you that our catalog is not quite ready for distribution. It will, however, be ready in about three weeks, at which time we will gladly forward a copy of same to you.

We are not so sure of the catalogs you have but if they are our #80, our new catalog will be very similar with just a few changes in price.

Very truly yours,

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MAR 21 1939

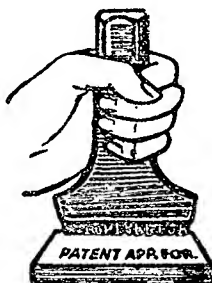
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CHARLES M. REED, SECRETARY

THE J. F. W. DORMAN CO.

Charles M. Reed

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March 29, 1939

Mr. H. Schultze
William A. Force and Company, Incorporated
107 Worth Street
New York, New York

Dear Mr. Schultze:

Reference is made to your letter of March 20, 1939 stating that you were sending a copy of your No. 115 catalog, which illustrates many of the Numbering Machines you manufacture and Marking Devices you supply.

I wish to thank you for your continued cooperation in these matters and in the future if any information is desired with regard to marking devices or numbering machines, I will contact you.

Sincerely yours,

COMMUNICATIONS SECTION



TELEPHONE
WORTH 2-6072
CABLE ADDRESS
"FORCEFUL" NEW YORK

WM. A. FORCE & COMPANY

INCORPORATED

DESIGNERS AND BUILDERS OF NUMBERING AND MARKING EQUIPMENT SINCE 1875

107 WORTH STREET
NEW YORK

March 20, 1939

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, District of Columbia

Attention of Mr. John Edgar Hoover,
Director

Dear Mr. Hoover:

In accordance with your request of March 18, we are sending a copy of our No. 115 Catalog, which illustrates many of the Numbering Machines we manufacture as well as other Marking Devices we supply.

If there is any information you require regarding any of these machines, we will be very glad to have you request it.

Sincerely,

W. A. Force
WM. A. FORCE & COMPANY, Incorporated

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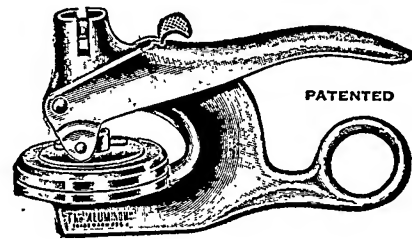
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CHICAGO, ILL.

107 WORTH STREET,
NEW YORK, N. Y.

682 MISSION STREET,
SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.

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March 18, 1939.

G. A. Pickup and Sons
Nashville, Tennessee

Gentlemen:

The Bureau would be pleased to receive the latest catalogs that you have for distribution concerning rubber stamp sets, date sets, and line date bank stamps. If you have varied and different catalogs concerning these, it would be appreciated if you would furnish the Bureau with a copy of each. At the present time I have a catalog of your company of a previous year.

Assuring you of my appreciation for your cooperation in this matter, I am

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
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March 18, 1939.

Consolidated Stamp Manufacturing Company
87 Maiden Lane
New York, New York

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The Bureau would be pleased to receive the latest catalogs which you have for distribution concerning rubber stamp sets, date sets, and line date bank stamps. If you have varied and different catalogs concerning these, it would be appreciated if you would furnish the Bureau with a copy of each. At the present time I have two catalogs of your company of a previous year.

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March 18, 1939.

Eagle Stamp Works
162 North Franklin Street
Chicago, Illinois

Gentlemen:

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March 18, 1939.

The C. H. Hanson Company
303 West Erie Street
Chicago, Illinois

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March 18, 1939.

The J. F. W. Dorman Company
526 North Calvert Street
Baltimore, Maryland

Gentlemen:

The Bureau would be pleased to receive the latest catalogs which you have for distribution concerning rubber stamp sets, date sets, and line date bank stamps. If you have varied and different catalogs concerning these, it would be appreciated if you would furnish the Bureau with a copy of each. At the present time I have two catalogs of your company of a previous year.

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March 13, 1939.

Louis Melind Company
362-4 West Chicago Avenue
Chicago, Illinois

Gentlemen:

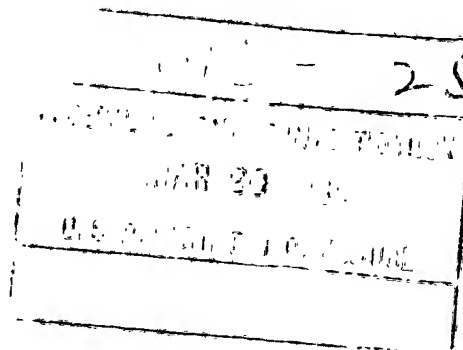
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Baumgarten and Company, Incorporated
Baltimore, Maryland

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Superior Type Company
Chicago, Illinois

Gentlemen:

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March 18, 1939.

R. A. Stewart and Company,
Incorporated
80 Duane Street
New York, New York

Gentlemen:

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March 18, 1937.

Fulton Specialty Company
200 Fifth Avenue
New York, New York

Gentlemen:

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March 13, 1939.

Multigraph Company
Division of Addressograph-Multigraph
Corporation
Cleveland, Ohio

Gentlemen:

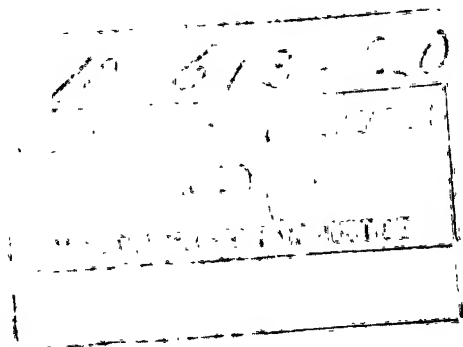
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March 18, 1939.

William A. Force and Company,
Incorporated
105 Worth Street
New York, New York

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United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

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March 17, 1939.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. NATHAN.

Re: Rubber Stamp File Progress Report.

At the present time contacts are being made with the Rubber Stamp Companies as listed below in an effort to secure their latest catalogs. These are to replace the older catalogs now in file:

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- ✓ Johnson Smith & Co., Detroit, Michigan.
- ✓ R. A. Stewart & Co., Inc., 80 Duane Street, New York, New York.
- ✓ The Irwin - Hodson Co., N. W. 15th to 16th Avenue, at Glisan, Portland, Oregon.
- ✓ James H. Matthews & Co., 3942 Forbes Street, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.
- ✓ Baumgarten & Co., Inc., Baltimore, Maryland.
- ✓ Superior Type Co., Chicago, Illinois.
- ✓ Consolidated Stamp Manufacturing Co., 87 Maiden Lane, New York, New York.
- ✓ The C. H. Hanson Co., 303 W. Eric Street, Chicago, Illinois.
- ? The J. F. W. Dorman Co., 526 North Calvert Street, Baltimore, Maryland.
- ✓ Fulton Specialty Company, 200 Fifth Avenue, New York, New York.
- ✓ Eagle Stamp Works, 162 North Franklin Street, Chicago, Illinois.
- ✓ Pannier Brothers Stamp Co., 207 Sandusky Street, N. S., Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.
- ✓ Multigraph Co., Division of Addressograph - Multigraph Corporation, Cleveland, Ohio.

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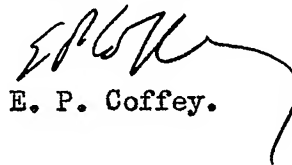
Memo for Mr. Nathan

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Research is being made in an endeavor to set up a group of standards that may be used for preliminary examination of questioned material connected with the rubber stamp file.

Respectfully,

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E. P. Coffey.

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Respectfully,

E. P. Coffey.

MFR:mfr
26-23731

August 23, 1933.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. NATHAN

Re: Sam Oshatz, with aliases;
NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT
ACT.

The Laboratory has in its Evidence Files various rubber stamps listed as K1 thru K10, and one stamp pad listed as K11, which were received in the Laboratory for examination in connection with the above-entitled case.

Inasmuch as this case has been closed and the above exhibits appear to have no further value as evidence, they will be placed in the Laboratory Stamp Standard collection unless advise to the contrary is received from the Bureau.

Respectfully,

E. P. Coffey.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

HN:CSH

November 3, 1938

Mr. Tolson	✓
Mr. Nathan	✓
Mr. Clegg	✓
Mr. Coffey	✓
Mr. Crowl	✓
Mr. Hawsey	✓
Mr. Egan	✓
Mr. Foxworth	✓
Mr. Glavin	✓
Mr. Harbo	✓
Mr. Lester	✓
Mr. McIntire	✓
Mr. Nichols	✓

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

At an Executives Conference held this morning, Messrs. Tolson, Clegg, Foxworth, Glavin, Quinn Tamm and Nathan being present, consideration was given to the suggestion of Mr. Coffey that the newspaper reference file be abolished. This is the file showing the kinds of type in which various newspapers are printed, and Mr. Coffey advises that there has never been an occasion when it has served any purpose since its establishment.

In accordance with the above, the Conference unanimously voted to abolish this file.

Respectfully,
For the Conference,

Clyde Tolson, Chairman

W. L. Glavin, Secretary

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

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October 25, 1938.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. NATHAN.

Re: Abolition of Newspaper
Reference File in the
Laboratory.

Saturday at the laboratory staff conference Mr. Blackburn suggested that the newspaper reference file be abolished. The same subject matter has been discussed from time to time at laboratory conferences for a year and a half. The majority of document examiners have usually been in favor of abolishing the file and each time it was recommended that action be deferred for a few more months to determine whether any new uses for the file came up in the interim. No such uses for the file have occurred and it has remained quite dormant during this entire period.

Accordingly, I recommend that the maintenance of this collection, which consists of sample newspapers from some 200 of the larger cities of the United States, be abolished. If occasion should arise in the future for comparing anonymous letters made by cutting out words from newspapers it will always be relatively simple to obtain access to newspapers from the vicinity in which the anonymous letter was mailed.

Respectfully,

E. P. Coffey
E. P. Coffey.

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August 12, 1933.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. NATHAN

Re: Unknown Subjects;
Sam Simmons;
EXTORTION.

The Laboratory has in its Evidence Files one rubber stamp set listed as K2 and one rubber stamp set listed as K3 in the above-entitled case.

Inasmuch as this case has been closed and the above exhibits appear to have no further value as evidence, they will be removed from the Evidence File and placed in the Laboratory's Stamp Standards collection unless advice to the contrary is received from the Bureau.

Respectfully,

E. P. Coffey.

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August 11, 1938.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. NATHAN

Re: Dominick Frank Vitolo, with
alias; Col. Douglas R. McKay,
et al - Victims; EXTORTION.

The Laboratory has in its Evidence Files one small Ben
Franklin Printers Let which was received by the Laboratory for
examination in connection with the above-entitled case.

Inasmuch as this case has been closed and the above
exhibit appears to have no further value as evidence, it will be
placed in the Laboratory's Stamp Standard collection, unless
advice to the contrary is received from the bureau.

Respectfully,

E. P. Coffey.

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August 10, 1938.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. NATHAN

Re: Giuseppe Queirolo, alias
Joseph Kollo; John D.
Rockefeller - Victim.
EXTORTION.

The Laboratory has in its Evidence Files in the above-entitled case the following exhibits: eight specimens of ink received from the New York office, November 25, 1935; three rubber hand stamps received from the New York office, August 13, 1937, which stamps were purchased at various F. W. Woolworth Stores in New York City.

Inasmuch as this case has been closed and the subject deported, and the above exhibits appear to have no further value as evidence, they will be placed in the Laboratory's Ink and Stamp Standard collections unless advice to the contrary is received from the Bureau.

Respectfully,

E. P. Coffey.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

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August 25, 1937.

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. NATHAN

Re: Rubber Stamp Collection

To supplement the collection of catalogues of rubber stamp type faces assembled in the Laboratory, it is recommended that there be purchased from the Superintendent of Documents, Washington, D. C. a copy of the manual entitled, "United States Government Printing Office Style Manual". It is understood that this manual costs \$1.00 per copy.

Respectfully,

E. P. Coffey
E. P. Coffey.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

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July 30, 1937.

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. NATHAN

Re: Collection of Rubber Stamp
Impressions for Laboratory
Reference File.

Mr. Nathan	✓
Mr. Tolson	✓
Mr. Baughman	
Mr. Clegg	✓
Mr. Glavin	✓
Mr. Ladd	✓
Mr. Nichols	✓
Mr. Rosen	✓
Mr. Tracy	✓
Miss Gandy	✓

During the course of the Mattnap investigation, the Bureau instructed that a reference file of rubber stamp impressions somewhat analogous to the present "Typewriter Standards" file, be collected and maintained in the Laboratory to provide a means for rapid identification of the source of any rubber stamp printing which might be encountered in future investigations.

Accordingly, the various field divisions covering the larger rubber stamp manufacturers were furnished with a sample standard illustrative of the form desired, and were instructed to obtain the desired specimens. Information obtained as a result of these efforts indicated that instead of each of the larger companies carrying its own brand of rubber stamps in stock, by far the majority of such companies stocked the product of one of a relatively few manufacturers; the individual companies were, however, equipped to manufacture their own style of rubber stamps to order, although as indicated above such type was not stocked.

Further investigation revealed that a type style might originate with any one of three principal sources or industries, namely, the engraver, the type founder or the rubber stamp manufacturer himself. The principal engraving company, the Wiebking Engraving Company, 113 Newport Avenue, Chicago, Illinois was found to have approximately two thousand styles and sizes of type available, duplicates of which could be supplied most conveniently only as tracings on aluminum plates. The principal type founding company, the American Type Founders Corporation, Elizabeth, New Jersey was found to have approximately five or six thousand different type styles and sizes available and representatives of that company indicated that it would be not only extremely difficult to obtain impressions from their collection but that the cost of obtaining such impressions would be prohibitive. A similar situation was found to exist in

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July 30, 1937.

the case of the rubber stamp manufacturers themselves, the type styles and sizes available numbering in the thousands, and the cost in one instance running as high as \$1,000 for a set of specimens from a single company.

In view of the above situation and the further fact that each of the rubber stamp manufacturers issues a catalogue showing the principal styles and sizes of the rubber type supplied by him, it appears impracticable to assemble a collection of rubber stamp impressions such as was originally contemplated. It is recommended, therefore, that catalogues of each of the principal manufacturers be maintained in the Laboratory in lieu of the actual rubber stamp impressions, and inasmuch as such a collection of catalogues has already been assembled in the Laboratory, no further effort will be made to obtain the actual rubber stamp impressions unless instructions indicating otherwise are received.

Upon the basis of such a catalogue collection, future investigations having for their purpose the discovery of the source of rubber stamp printing would initially proceed along the following lines:

1. All catalogues maintained in the Laboratory would first be carefully searched for the style and size of type involved in the investigation.
2. In the event of failure to locate the type in one of the catalogues available, contact would then be made with a representative of the Government Printing Office in an effort to identify the style and size of type. In addition to the possible eliciting of information relative to the source of such type, this procedure would permit the accurate description of the type in subsequent investigative action.
3. A representative of the trade magazine "Marking Devices" or a representative of the Marking Devices Association, Chicago, Illinois would next be contacted for information relative to the probable sources of such type. In this connection,

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Memorandum for Mr. Nathan.

July 30, 1937.

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. NATHAN

Re: Collection of Rubber Stamp Impressions for Laboratory Reference File.

During the course of the Mattnap investigation, the Bureau instructed that a reference file of rubber stamp impressions somewhat analogous to the present "Typewriter Standards" file, be collected and maintained in the Laboratory to provide a means for rapid identification of the source of any rubber stamp printing which might be encountered in future investigations.

Accordingly, the various field divisions covering the larger rubber stamp manufacturers were furnished with a sample standard illustrative of the form desired, and were instructed to obtain the desired specimens. Information obtained as a result of these efforts indicated that instead of each of the larger companies carrying its own brand of rubber stamps in stock, by far the majority of such companies stocked the product of one of a relatively few manufacturers; the individual companies were, however, equipped to manufacture their own style of rubber stamps to order, although as indicated above such type was not stocked.

Further investigation revealed that a type style might originate with any one of three principal sources or industries, namely, the engraver, the type founder or the rubber stamp manufacturer himself. The principal engraving company, the Wiebking Engraving Company, 113 Newport Avenue, Chicago, Illinois was found to have approximately two thousand styles and sizes of type available, duplicates of which could be supplied most conveniently only as tracings on aluminum plates. The principal type founding company, the American Type Founders Corporation, Elizabeth, New Jersey was found to have approximately five or six thousand different type styles and sizes available and representatives of that company indicated that it would be not only extremely difficult to obtain impressions from their collection but that the cost of obtaining such impressions would be prohibitive. A similar situation was found to exist in

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the case of the rubber stamp manufacturers themselves, the type styles and sizes available numbering in the thousands, and the cost in one instance running as high as \$1,000 for a set of specimens from a single company.

In view of the above situation and the further fact that each of the rubber stamp manufacturers issues a catalogue showing the principal styles and sizes of the rubber type supplied by him, it appears impracticable to assemble a collection of rubber stamp impressions such as was originally contemplated. It is recommended, therefore, that catalogues of each of the principal manufacturers be maintained in the Laboratory in lieu of the actual rubber stamp impressions, and inasmuch as such a collection of catalogues has already been assembled in the Laboratory, no further effort will be made to obtain the actual rubber stamp impressions unless instructions indicating otherwise are received.

Upon the basis of such a catalogue collection, future investigations having for their purpose the discovery of the source of rubber stamp printing would initially proceed along the following lines:

1. All catalogues maintained in the Laboratory would first be carefully searched for the style and size of type involved in the investigation.
2. In the event of failure to locate the type in one of the catalogues available, contact would then be made with a representative of the Government Printing Office in an effort to identify the style and size of type. In addition to the possible eliciting of information relative to the source of such type, this procedure would permit the accurate description of the type in subsequent investigative action.
3. A representative of the trade magazine "Marking Devices" or a representative of the Marking Devices Association, Chicago, Illinois would next be contacted for information relative to the probable sources of such type. In this connection,

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. NATHAN

Re: Rubber Stamp Reference Collection.

To supplement the Laboratory's collection of catalogues from the principal rubber stamp manufacturing concerns, it is recommended that there be secured from the Superintendent of Documents, Washington, D. C. at an early date, a copy of "The Type Style Manual" listing the various type styles maintained in the Government Printing Office.

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E. P. Coffey.

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Washington, D. C.

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March 16, 1937.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. NATHAN.

Re: Status of Rubber Stamp Catalog
Collection - Mattnap.

Mr. Nathan	✓
Mr. Tolson	✓
Mr. Baughman	
Mr. Clegg	
Mr. Coffey	
Mr. Dawsey	
Mr. Egan	
Mr. Foxworth	
Mr. Glavin	
Mr. Harbo	
Mr. Joseph	
Mr. Lester	
Mr. Nichols	
Mr. Quinn	
Mr. Schilder	✓
Mr. Tamm	✓
Mr. Tracy	
Miss Gandy	

Reference is made to my memorandum of February 19, 1937, relative to the above-entitled matter, in which I stated that four rubber stamp manufacturing companies were being contacted by letter in an effort to obtain catalogs from them, thereby completing the laboratory's collection of such catalogs.

The catalogs obtained as a result of these requests are as follows:

"Marking Device", catalog #40, Fulton Specialty Company,
Elizabeth, New Jersey.

Catalog of USA Solid Rubber Type, G. A. Pickup and Sons,
Nashville, Tennessee.

"Rubber Stamps", Consolidated Stamp Manufacturing Company,
47 Church Street, New York, New York.

The Hill Independent Manufacturing Company of Philadelphia,
Pennsylvania, reports that it does not make any catalogs.

This completes the collection of catalogs from rubber stamp manufacturers brought to the attention of the Bureau through the field investigations. However, in the event additional manufacturers are brought to the laboratory's attention in the future, catalogs will be secured from them.

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Respectfully,

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
424 Federal Building
Trenton, New Jersey

February 25, 1937

ATTENTION TECHNICAL LABORATORY

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D. C.

Re: RUBBER STAMP COLLECTION

Dear Sir:

As requested in letter from the Bureau to the Chicago Field Division, dated February 19, 1937, (60-615), the following investigation was conducted by Special Agent R. B. Graham of this division:

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Very truly yours,


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March 9, 1937

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D. C.

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Attention: Technical Laboratory

RE: Rubber Stamp Reference Collection

Dear Sir:

With reference to Bureau letter dated February 19, 1937, (Bureau file 80-613), Mr. J. A. Smith, 185 North Wabash Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, publisher of the magazine known as Marking Devices, advised that he has only been publishing this magazine for one year; that Mr. W. S. Lord, Secretary for the Marking Device Association, 431 South Dearborn Street, was the proper person to see regarding information concerning the manufacture of rubber stamps.

Mr. Lord upon interview stated that the Marking Device Association is national in scope having members all over the United States and Canada, the purpose of the Association being principally to promote the sale of marking devices through national advertising. The Association also edits the magazine known as marking devices. He further advised that the manufacture of rubber stamps takes in three industries, the steel type maker or engraver, type founder and the rubber stamp maker; that where a maker is to produce a large quantity of any one product as for instance a dater stamp he will undoubtedly have steel type engraved as the lead, copper or composition molds or matrices, usually furnished by the founder, can only be used a limited number of times as the edges begin to round off which results in a stamp not having well defined edges. This thus requires that a matrice be replaced after about 500 to 1000 rubber stamps have been made therefrom which requires resetting of type for the formation of the mold. Steel type can be used indefinitely to form molds from and is thus much cheaper where numerous molds of the same kind are required. The engraver is normally not an originator of type nor does he stock type but merely engraves the amount of type ordered, from furnished patterns or designs and returns the patterns with the engraved type to the person ordering the same.

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Usually it is the maker of the rubber stamp, if a large concern, that originates and maintains a stock of steel type. If only a small order or a single article is to be made from rubber then the matrix is ordered direct from the founder. The principal makers of rubber stamps in the United States are the Superior Type Company, 3940 North Ravenswood Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, Louis Melind and Company, 362 West Chicago Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, the Eagle Stamp Works, 162 North Franklin Street, Chicago, Illinois, William A. Force Company, Worth Street, New York City, Fulton Specialty Company, 200 Fifth Avenue, New York City, Consolidated Stamp Manufacturing Company, 47 Church Street, New York City, J. F. W. Dormon Company, Baltimore, Maryland, G. A. Pickup and Son, Cahal and Scott Avenue, Nashville, Tennessee and the R. H. Smith Company, Springfield, Massachusetts; that most all other sellers of rubber stamps buy their supply directly or indirectly from one of the above makers.

The principal founder is the American Type Founders Corporation with headquarters at Elizabeth, New Jersey, with branches in practically every large city in the United States, while the plain engraver is the Wiebking Engraving Company, 1133 Newport Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

William and Robert Wiebking, owners and operators of Wiebking Engraving Company, advised upon interview that they engrave all of the steel type used by the Eagle Stamp Company, most of the steel type used by the Hill Independent Manufacturing Company and the Superior Type Company, and some for the Fulton Specialty Company, Elizabeth, New Jersey, but that made for the Fulton Specialty Company is a duplication of a pattern furnished by such company, such as a brass type. They took Agent V. E. Criss into their shop, which they stated they did not do in other cases, and demonstrated their method of engraving. From the pattern or design furnished they cut upon a flat piece of aluminum plate about two inches wide and various lengths the outline of the letters or characters to be engraved. The outline is 8 times as large as the size of No. 2 type, 10.83 times as large as the size of No. 1½ type, etc. The outline on the aluminum plate, which is a V shaped groove about 1/32 of an inch deep, is called the original master. The original master is then used to form what is called a punch master, either by electroplating or by pressing hot lead onto the original master. This forms an inverted or as called, the punch master. The inverted master instead of being grooved has a V shaped ridge which outlines the letters. The guide which controls the operation of the engraving machine follows around the outer lower edge of the

V shaped ridge which forms the outline of the letter or character. The machine is adjusted to engrave the size of type desired, being from 00 to No. 3. They stated they have about two thousand original master patterns for type used in the making and molds for rubber stamps; that they could furnish a tracing of these on an aluminum plate similar to that used in making their masters for about \$100.00. The tracing would be a single line groove about 1/1000 of an inch deep and with the center of the groove in the original master which would be about 5/1000 of an inch less in size than the master pattern, which would be about 1/1000 less in size when reduced to the size of a No. 2 type.

Mr. J. R. ~~X~~Swift, Manager of the Superior Type Company, was interviewed and he advised that during the year, 1936, his company had sold approximately 23,000 chain store dater stamps without the letter X appearing thereon and about 50,000 crown dater stamps with the X appearing thereon. Mr. Swift, after observing the lettering appearing in the ransom note in the instant case, stated that he believed that the ink used by the kidnaper was of an oil base which would cause the rubber type to expand thus causing the letters to appear to be a little oversized. He stated that the Superior Type Company has about 300 type faces which may be used in about 1500 different combinations. He further stated that to obtain a supply of rubber type would be impractical in his opinion; that the same thing could be accomplished if a collection of catalogs was made which illustrated the type used by the various makers. The usual method, which is the method used by the Superior Type Company, is to use the type from which the molds are made to print the specimens which appear in the catalog thus giving the exact size and shapes. Mr. Swift stated that he does not remember any occasion where the 1½ size dater stamp was sold by them which had an inverted S thereon.

Mr. C. F. ~~X~~Hicks, Manager of the Chicago branch of the American Type Founders Corporation, advised that they do not make any molds which are to be used only for the production of rubber stamps; that they have about 5000 faces or styles of type, which vary in size from 3 to 17; that it would be prohibitive in cost to obtain a duplication of these.

Mr. Louis ~~X~~Ruffer, Manager of the Eagle Stamp Company, was interviewed and stated that the size No. 1½ dater stamp was the largest seller; that they had sold approximately 5000 of these during the year 1936 all over the United States to approximately

700 various distributors; that their daters had the letter X thereon; that he did not remember any occasion where dater stamps had been sold with the letter S inverted thereon. Mr. Ruffer also stated that their company produces and sells type band dater which has rubber type therein of the same form and size as is used in the dater stamp. He gave to Agent a sample of this rubber type which is being forwarded to the Bureau herewith.

Mr. Roy^XMelind, Secretary of the Louis Melind and Company, was interviewed and he stated that during the year 1936 they sold between 5000 and 10,000 $1\frac{1}{2}$ size dater stamps; that they did not sell any without the letter X appearing thereon and he does not know of any instance where they sold any which had an inverted S appearing thereon. They sell all over the United States and Canada, but do not sell to the five and ten cent stores. The names of their products are the Junior Justrite dater and the Justrite dater, which have the same size of type. Mr. Melind gave Agent Criss a Justrite dater stamp, size $1\frac{1}{2}$, which is forwarded to the Bureau with this letter.

Mr. J. T.^XMarks, catalog compiler for the C. H. Hanson and Company, 303 West Erie Street, was interviewed and stated that where they sell rubber stamps in any quantity they do not make the same, but make on occasions rubber stamps for a particular small order, thus using a mold which they buy from the American Type Foundry and thus they do not have any steel type; that the $1\frac{1}{2}$ dater stamp which they sell is made by the Louis Melind and Company and the letter X appears thereon and that he does not recall ever selling any of these dater stamps with an inverted S thereon.

The dater stamps sold by the Superior Type Company, the Louis Melind and Company and the Eagle Stamp Company all contain a different form of No. 2 and 5. Agent purchased a dater stamp from a Woolworth Store in Chicago on which appears the letters 2 and 5 of the form which appears in the ransom number, the letter X not appearing thereon. Agent was advised at the Woolworth Store that this dater stamp which sold for 10¢ was purchased through their New York purchasing department and they did not know the origin thereof. The same is being forwarded to the Bureau with this letter.

Mr. Swift of the Superior Type Company, above referred to, also provided Agent Criss with a dater stamp which he had made where two dater stamps were combined to form one, that is, the rubber bands containing the month and the years were cut to form

small bands on which only individual letters appear. These bands were then arranged on one frame so that they could be rotated separately. Mr. Swift thought that this might have been the method used by the person who wrote the ransom note in the instant case.

This rubber stamp marked Dater, Made in USA, is also being sent to the Bureau with this letter.

Mr. Swift also turned over to Agent their catalog, No. 103, dated June 1, 1926, which contains samples of print which could be derived from the rubber stamps manufactured by them. This catalog is also being sent to the Bureau with this letter.

Very truly yours,


D. M. LADD,
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Post Office Box 812
Chicago Illinois

March 9, 1937

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Attention: Technical Laboratory

RE: Rubber Stamp Reference Collection

Dear Sir:

With reference to Bureau letter dated February 19, 1937, (Bureau file 80-613), Mr. J. A. Smith, 185 North Wabash Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, publisher of the magazine known as Marking Devices, advised that he has only been publishing this magazine for one year; that Mr. W. A. Lord, Secretary for the Marking Device Association, 431 South Dearborn Street, was the proper person to see regarding information concerning the manufacture of rubber stamps.

Mr. Lord upon interview stated that the Marking Device Association is national in scope having members all over the United States and Canada, the purpose of the Association being principally to promote the sale of marking devices through national advertising. The Association also edits the magazine known as marking devices. He further advised that the manufacture of rubber stamps takes in three industries, the steel type maker or engraver, type founder and the rubber stamp maker; that where a maker is to produce a large quantity of any one product as for instance a dater stamp he will undoubtedly have steel type engraved as the lead, copper or composition molds or matrices, usually furnished by the founder, can only be used a limited number of times as the edges begin to round off which results in a stamp not having well defined edges. This thus requires that a matrix be replaced after about 500 to 1000 rubber stamps have been made therefrom which requires resetting of type for the formation of the mold. Steel type can be used indefinitely to form molds from and is thus much cheaper where numerous molds of the same kind are required. The engraver is normally not an originator of type nor does he stock type but merely engraves the amount of type ordered, from furnished patterns or designs and returns the patterns with the engraved type to the person ordering the same.

Usually it is the maker of the rubber stamp, if a large concern, that originates and maintains a stock of steel type. If only a small order or a single article is to be made from rubber then the matrix is ordered direct from the founder. The principal makers of rubber stamps in the United States are the Superior Type Company, 3940 North Ravenswood Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, Louis Melind and Company, 362 West Chicago Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, the Eagle Stamp Works, 142 North Franklin Street, Chicago, Illinois, William A. Force Company, North Street, New York City, Fulton Specialty Company, 800 Fifth Avenue, New York City, Consolidated Stamp Manufacturing Company, 47 Church Street, New York City, J. F. W. Dorman Company, Baltimore, Maryland, G. A. Pickup and Son, Cahal and Scott Avenue, Nashville, Tennessee and the R. H. Smith Company, Springfield, Massachusetts; that most all other sellers of rubber stamps buy their supply directly or indirectly from one of the above makers.

The principal founder is the American Type Founders Corporation with headquarters at Elizabeth, New Jersey, with branches in practically every large city in the United States, while the plain engraver is the Wiebking Engraving Company, 1133 Newport Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

William and Robert Wiebking, owners and operators of Wiebking Engraving Company, advised upon interview that they engrave all of the steel type used by the Eagle Stamp Company, most of the steel type used by the Hill Independent Manufacturing Company and the Superior Type Company, and some for the Fulton Specialty Company, Elizabeth, New Jersey, but that made for the Fulton Specialty Company is a duplication of a pattern furnished by such company, such as a brass type. They took Agent V. E. Criss into their shop, which they stated they did not do in other cases, and demonstrated their method of engraving. From the pattern or design furnished they cut upon a flat piece of aluminum plate about two inches wide and various lengths the outline of the letters or characters to be engraved. The outline is 8 times as large as the size of No. 2 type, 10.83 times as large as the size of No. 1 1/2 type, etc. The outline on the aluminum plate, which is a V shaped groove about 1/32 of an inch deep, is called the original master. The original master is then used to form what is called a punch master, either by electroplating or by pressing hot lead onto the original master. This forms an inverted or as called, the punch master. The inverted master instead of being grooved has a V shaped ridge which outlines the letters. The guide which controls the operation of the engraving machine follows around the outer lower edge of the

V shaped ridge which forms the outline of the letter or character. The machine is adjusted to engrave the size of type desired, being from 00 to No. 3. They stated they have about two thousand original master patterns for type used in the making and molds for rubber stamps; that they could furnish a tracing of these on an aluminum plate similar to that used in making their masters for about \$100.00. The tracing would be a single line groove about 1/1000 of an inch deep and with the center of the groove in the original master which would be about 5/1000 of an inch less in size than the master pattern, which would be about 1/1000 less in size when reduced to the size of a No. 2 type.

Mr. J. M. Swift, Manager of the Superior Type Company, was interviewed and he advised that during the year, 1936, his company had sold approximately 23,000 chain store dater stamps without the letter X appearing thereon and about 50,000 crown dater stamps with the X appearing thereon. Mr. Swift, after observing the lettering appearing in the ransom note in the instant case, stated that he believed that the ink used by the kidnaper was of an oil base which would cause the rubber type to expand thus causing the letters to appear to be a little oversized. He stated that the Superior Type Company has about 300 type faces which may be used in about 1500 different combinations. He further stated that to obtain a supply of rubber type would be impractical in his opinion; that the same thing could be accomplished if a collection of catalogs was made which illustrated the type used by the various makers. The usual method, which is the method used by the Superior Type Company, is to use the type from which the molds are made to print the specimens which appear in the catalog thus giving the exact size and shapes. Mr. Swift stated that he does not remember any occasion where the 1 1/2 size dater stamp was sold by them which had an inverted S thereon.

Mr. C. F. Hicks, Manager of the Chicago branch of the American Type Founders Corporation, advised that they do not make any molds which are to be used only for the production of rubber stamps; that they have about 5000 faces or styles of type, which vary in size from 3 to 17; that it would be prohibitive in cost to obtain a duplication of these.

Mr. Louis Ruffer, Manager of the Eagle Stamp Company, was interviewed and stated that the size No. 1 1/2 dater stamp was the largest seller; that they had sold approximately 5000 of these during the year 1936 all over the United States to approximately

700 various distributors; that their daters had the letter X thereon; that he did not remember any occasion where dater stamps had been sold with the letter S inverted thereon. Mr. Ruffer also stated that their company produces and sells type band dater which has rubber type therein of the same form and size as is used in the dater stamp. He gave to Agent a sample of this rubber type which is being forwarded to the Bureau herewith.

Mr. Roy Melind, Secretary of the Louis Melind and Company, was interviewed and he stated that during the year 1936 they sold between 5000 and 10,000 $1\frac{1}{2}$ size dater stamps; that they did not sell any without the letter X appearing thereon and he does not know of any instance where they sold any which had an inverted S appearing thereon. They sell all over the United States and Canada, but do not sell to the five and ten cent stores. The names of their products are the Junior Justrite dater and the Justrite dater, which have the same size of type. Mr. Melind gave Agent Criss a Justrite dater stamp, size $1\frac{1}{2}$, which is forwarded to the Bureau with this letter.

Mr. J. T. Marks, catalog compiler for the C. H. Hanson and Company, 303 West Erie Street, was interviewed and stated that where they sell rubber stamps in any quantity they do not make the same, but make on occasions rubber stamps for a particular small order, thus using a mold which they buy from the American Type Foundry and thus they do not have any steel type; that the $1\frac{1}{2}$ dater stamp which they sell is made by the Louis Melind and Company and the letter X appears thereon and that he does not recall ever selling any of these dater stamps with an inverted S thereon.

The dater stamps sold by the Superior Type Company, the Louis Melind and Company and the Eagle Stamp Company all contain a different form of No. 2 and 5. Agent purchased a dater stamp from a Woolworth Store in Chicago on which appears the letters 2 and 5 of the form which appears in the ransom number, the letter X not appearing thereon. Agent was advised at the Woolworth Store that this dater stamp which sold for 10¢ was purchased through their New York purchasing department and they did not know the origin thereof. The same is being forwarded to the Bureau with this letter.

Mr. Swift of the Superior Type Company, above referred to, also provided Agent Criss with a dater stamp which he had made where two dater stamps were combined to form one, that is, the rubber bands containing the month and the years were cut to form

small bands on which only individual letters appear. These bands were then arranged on one frame so that they could be rotated separately. Mr. Swift thought that this might have been the method used by the person who wrote the ransom note in the instant case.

This rubber stamp marked Dater, Made in USA, is also being sent to the Bureau with this letter.

Mr. Swift also turned over to Agent their catalog, No. 103, dated June 1, 1926, which contains samples of print which could be derived from the rubber stamps manufactured by them. This catalog is also being sent to the Bureau with this letter.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD,
Special Agent in Charge

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FULTON SPECIALTY CO.

76-82 FULTON STREET

ELIZABETH, N. J.

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STAMP PADS
SIGN & PRICE MARKERS
DATERS & NUMBERERS
RUBBER TYPE OUTFITS
JUVENILE TYPE NOVELTIES

Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

Attention - Mr. Harold Nathan,
Assistant Director.

Gentlemen:-

In reply to yours of February 25th, under separate cover we
take pleasure in sending you our #40 stationery catalogue
which is the latest one we have.

Very truly yours,
FULTON SPECIALTY COMPANY.

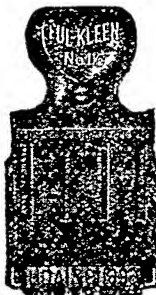
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February 19, 1937.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. NATHAN.

Re: Status of rubber stamp catalog
collection.

Mr. Nathan	✓
Mr. Tolson	✓
Mr. Clegg	✓
Mr. Coffey	✓
Mr. Glavin	✓
Mr. Ladd	✓
Mr. Nichols	✓
Mr. Quinn	✓
Mr. Schilder	✓
Mr. Tamm	✓
Mr. Tracy	✓
Miss Gandy	✓

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7-1820-974 K-1113:

- One catalog from Eagle Stamp Works, Chicago, Illinois.

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Memo for Mr. Nathan

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February 19, 1937.

The following companies are being contacted by letter in an effort to obtain catalogs from them:

- The Consolidated Stamp Manufacturing Company, Spring Valley, New York.
- The Fulton Specialty Company, Elizabeth, New Jersey.
- (7) → The Hill Independent Manufacturing Company, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.
- Pickup and Sons Company, Nashville, Tennessee.

Respectfully,

EPC
E. P. Coffey.

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Respectfully,

E. P. Coffey.

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February 25, 1937.

Mr. D. F. Schmidt,
The Consolidated Stamp Manufacturing Company,
47 Church Street,
New York, New York.

Dear Mr. Schmidt:

The Bureau would be pleased to receive any catalogues that you have for distribution concerning rubber stamp sets, date sets, and line date bank stamps. If you have varied and different catalogues concerning these, it would be appreciated if you would furnish the Bureau with a copy of each.

Assuring you of my appreciation for your cooperation in this matter, I remain

Very truly yours,

For the Director,

Harold Nathan,
Assistant Director.

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February 25, 1937.

Mr. J. D. Latimer,
President,
The Hill Independent
Manufacturing Company,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Mr. Latimer:

The Bureau would be pleased to receive any catalogues that you have for distribution concerning rubber stamp sets, date sets, and line dater band stamps. If you have varied and different catalogues concerning these, it would be appreciated if you would furnish the Bureau with a copy of each.

Assuring you of my appreciation for your cooperation in this matter, I remain

Very truly yours,
For the Director,

Harold Nathan,
Assistant Director.

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February 19, 1937.

Special Agent in Charge,
Chicago, Illinois.

Re: Rubber Stamp Collection

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the Bureau's letter of January 21, 1937, to the Nashville Field Division relative to the case entitled Unknown Subject; Charles Fletcher Mattson, Victim; Kidnaping, a copy of which was transmitted to your office, listing several of the larger dealers in rubber stamping materials and requesting that in connection with other investigative action being taken, the agents contacting the various companies make arrangements to secure standard impressions of the various rubber type styles manufactured by each company.

Information obtained as a result of the attempt to secure such standard specimens indicates that instead of each of the larger companies carrying its own brand of rubber stamps as a stock item, by far the majority of them carry in stock the product of one of a relatively few manufacturing companies such as the Superior Type Company, Chicago, Illinois; the various companies do, however, appear to be equipped to manufacture rubber stamps to special order, although as indicated above such items are not stocked. It further appears probable that many of the manufacturing companies obtain their type designs and standard molds from a relatively few engraving companies such as Weikling Engraving Company, Chicago, Illinois. In addition, the cost of supplying a complete set of impressions from a single company was found in some instances to run as high as \$1,000.

Accordingly, it is now proposed to discontinue at least temporarily, the effort to obtain such specimens from the retail companies and to report in the names of the principal manufacturers and the engraving companies with whom the various type designs and master standards originate. Upon receipt of this information, it is then believed that a comprehensive and representative set of impressions may be obtained from the more important sources, and thus avoid the duplication and wasted effort otherwise to be encountered.

In developing the new line of investigation outlined, it is desired that the Chicago Division interview representatives of the trade magazine "Marking Devices", 185 North Dearborn Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, as set out in the Nashville Division's report dated January 20, 1937, relative to the Mattson case, and that the result of this interview be submitted at an early date. The Chicago Division is also instructed to contact representatives of the Weikling Engraving Company, Chicago, Illinois, and to obtain both from them and from the representatives of the magazine "Marking Devices" as much information as possible relative to the organization of the rubber stamp industry as a whole throughout the United States. The Trenton Field Division will conduct a similar investigation with respect to the American Type Foundry Sales Corporation, Jersey City, New Jersey, in an effort to gain a comprehensive knowledge of the organization of

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the rubber stamp industry, particularly as it pertains to the original designers and manufacturers of the standards from which rubber type and rubber stamps are prepared.

Information obtained as a result of the above outlined investigation should be submitted to the Bureau by letter form, marked for the attention of the Technical Laboratory.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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February 17, 1937

MEMORANDUM FOR THE FILE

Re: Collection of rubber stamp specimens for Laboratory

In addition to the various reference files already maintained in the Laboratory, it is desired to establish and maintain a reference collection of rubber stamp impressions, somewhat analogous to the typewriting specimens presently on file, in order that the source of rubber stamp impressions appearing on extortion letters from time to time may be more readily ascertained.

Under date of January 24, 1937, in connection with investigation of the Mattnap case several of the field offices were requested to obtain such standard rubber stamp impressions from a number of the larger companies as listed in the Thomas' Register of American Manufacturers. As a result of the investigation conducted along this line, it became apparent that while the majority of the larger companies were equipped to manufacture rubber stamps to order, they did not as a rule stock the rubber stamps manufactured by themselves. That is, the majority of such concerns carried an incomplete line of the products of some one of a relatively few manufacturing companies, and the collection of rubber stamp impressions from the various companies listed would obviously result in a great deal of duplication and wasted effort. In addition, the cost of supplying a complete set of impressions from a single company was found in some instances to run as high as \$1,000. Accordingly, it is now proposed to discontinue, at least temporarily, the effort to obtain such specimens from the retailing companies and to ascertain the names of the principal manufacturers and the engraving companies with whom the various type designs and master standards originate. Upon receipt of this information it is then believed that a comprehensive and representative set of impressions may be obtained from the more important sources, and thus avoid the duplication and wasted effort otherwise to be encountered.

A letter to this effect is being prepared for the attention of all offices receiving the above-mentioned letter initiating the investigation.

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E. H. Coffey.

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April 3, 1935.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

Re: Meeting of Laboratory Employees.

A meeting of the Laboratory employees was held the afternoon of March 27th, attended by Messrs. Appel, Blackburn, Conrad, Harrington, Major, Pickering, Hince, and myself.

The question of starting the collection of printed type specimens of newspapers and periodicals was discussed and it was suggested that rather than request agents in the field to undertake to make this collection, inquiry first be made at the Congressional Library and possibly other points in the city to determine whether samples of most of the largest newspapers of the country are not available where they have been first examined for clipping bureau purposes and the like. I am of the opinion this suggestion is of merit and I will have Mr. Blackburn make the inquiry. It was also suggested that after the collection was under way it might be found desirable to discuss the matter with manufacturers of printing papers, linotype machines, and the like with a view to getting better acquainted with the variations in type design.

The Pantascopic Camera for bullet photography which has been placed on the market by Kenneth A. Dawson of Cambridge, Massachusetts, was discussed. This camera takes the picture of a bullet while turning on a turn table in such a manner that the full cylindrical surface is available in a single plane. Such development has been brought to the attention of the Bureau several times, one of these cameras having been made by Peterson of the Sheriff's Office in Miami and having been worked on by several other individuals. It is similar to a camera designed several years ago by the Bureau of Standards for photographing the cylindrical surface of iron pipe. The literature put out by Dawson advertises the camera in two sizes at \$650.00 and \$950.00. It was agreed by all at the meeting that the camera is still undoubtedly in the experimental stage, this opinion being based upon examinations of photographs prepared by the camera and, therefore, that the Bureau should be rather circumspect in purchasing the equipment.

Mr. Conrad and Mr. Parsons described a method which they have been working on for obtaining the same results by photographing a bullet within a cylindrical reflected surface. Such a procedure, if it could be perfected, would be much simpler because of the elimination of moving parts and these employees were asked to expedite their experiments after which the question of obtaining the Pantascopic Camera would be again considered.

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Memo for the Director

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April 3, 1935.

I talked with all Laboratory employees concerning the phraseology to be used in the submission of laboratory reports and emphasized the necessity of extreme caution in the choice of words used in writing up opinions, pointing out to them that Special Agents in the field and especially United States Prosecutors may often misinterpret the wording of a report or become confused with wording which to us might appear quite clear, but to the lay person rather ambiguous. Specific cases discussed in this respect were the reports submitted in the Gorrell Murder Case in Oklahoma City and reports submitted in the Riegel Case in the Charlotte district.

Respectfully,

E. P. Coffey.

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